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7th Mo 1770 – 1792
NEW ENGLAND YEARLY
MEETING OF FRIENDS

Intentions of Marriage

1699 5 mo 24	page	3	John Headly	Mary Slocum	
12 mo 5	"	5	John Lapham Junr	Mary Russell	
1700 11 mo 6	"	6	Abraham Booth	Abigail Howland	
1702 9 mo 9	"	9	Ralph Chapman	Deliverance Slocum	
12 mo 1	"	10	Nathaniel Chase	Abigail Sherman	
1703 5 mo 19	"	11	Joseph Russell Jr	Mary Tucker	
9 mo 8	"	12	William Bourn	Hannah Shearman	
1704 1 mo 27	"	13	John Russell	Rebecca Ricketson	
4 mo 19	"	14	Eliashib Smith	Dinah Allin	Sandwich
" "	"	"	Benjamin Allin	Deborah Russell	
10 mo 18	"	17	James Burril	Mehetable Russell	
12 " 19	"	"	Peter Easton	Content Slocum	
1705 6 mo 20	"	20	Edward Perry	Eliphel Smith	
1707 6 mo 18	"	32	Isaac Barker	Elisabeth Slocum	
1708 6 mo 16	"	42	George Thomas	Martha Tucker	
" "	"	"	Samuel Howland	Mary Merihew	
" "	"	"	William Ricketson	Meribah Slocum	
1709 1 mo 21	"	48	Charles Dyer	Mary Lapham	"
8 mo 17	"	56	James Russell	Rebeccah Howland	"
11 mo 16	"	59	Jabish Barker	Rebecca Russell	"
1710 mo 27	"	60	Joseph Chace	Abigail Tucker	
1713 10 mo 21	"	91	Edward Wing	Desire Smith	
1714 12 mo "	"	99	Nicholas Davis	Mary Summers	
1715 1 mo	"	101	Benjamin Bowerman	Hannah Wing	
8 "	"	105	James Barker	Elizabeth Tucker	
1716 6 "	"	110	Eleazer Slocum Junr	Deborah Smith	
1717 4 "	"	115	Edwd Wing	Sarah Tucker	
8 "	"	119	Daniel Goddard	Mary Fripp	
9 "	"	120	Isaac Howland	Hannah Allen	

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1717	12 mo	page	122	Daniel Shepherd Junr	Mary Shearman	
.	"	"		William Soule Junr	Rachel Allen Junr	
1718	7 "	"	125	Joseph Mosher	Mehetabel Smith	
	9 "	"	127	Adam Mott	Apphia Hathaway	
	10 "	"	"	Benoni Winn	Hasadiah Landers	
1719	1 "	"	128	Phineas Chace	Desire Wing	
	9 "	"	135	John Summers Junr	Rest Davis	
1720	2 "	"	139	Beriah Goddard	Ann Smith	
	7 "	"	142	John Walker Junr	Sarah Summers	
	8 "	"	143	Samuel Wing	Dorothy Clifton	√
	9 "	"	144	Benjamin Russell	Abigail Howland	
	" "	"	"	Joseph Tucker	Mary Howland	
	11 "	"	145	Daniel Weeden	Joanna Slocum	
1721	4 mo	"	150	Thomas Borden	Mary Gifford	
	10 "	"	156	Abraham Tucker Junr	Elisabeth Russell	
1722	2 "	"	161	Isaac Wood	Mary Potter	
	3 "	"	"	Seth Russell	Hannah Allen	
	5 "	"	163	James Sherman	Grizel Merihew	
	7 "	"	164	Benjamin Wing	Content Tucker	
	8 "	"	165	John Laton	Patience Kirby	×
1723	8 "	"	170	Samuel Howland	Sarah Soule	
1724	1 "	"	172	Barnabas Howland	Rebecca Lapham	
	4 "	"	174	Amos Taber	Elisabeth Lapham	
	6 "	"	175	Jonathan Wood	Peace Davis	
	" "	"	"	Thomas Smith	Sarah Russell	
	...	"	"	Nathan Jene	Priscilla Taber	
	10 "	"	179	Jedediah Wood	Keziah Summers	
	10 "	"	"	David Irish	Jeneverath Summers	
	11 "	"	180	Nicholas Davis	Hannah Wood	

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"	11 "	"	187	John Lapham Junr	Desire Howland	
"	12 "	"	188	George Smith	Elisabeth Allen	
1726	1 "	"	"	John Tippits	Sarah Soule	
"	2 "	"	189	John Russell Junr	Joanna Tucker	
"	7 "	"	191	Seth Kelley	Mehetabel Wing	
"	11 "	"	193	Archipas Hart	Sarah Clifton	✓
1727	4 "	"	197	Thomas Akin	Abigail Allen	
	5 "	"	"	John Wing	Mary Tucker	
1728	2 "	"	201	John Whitely	Abigail Allen	
	8 "	"	204	Abraham Russell	Dinah Allen	
	9 "	"	"	Edward Wing	Patience Ellis	
	9 "	"	205	James Russell	Mary Howland	
729	3 "	"	209	Nicholas Davis	Ruth Tucker	
	9 "	"	212	Benjamin Taber	Susanna Lewis	
	10 "	"	"	Ebenezer Sherman	Wait Barker	
	" "	"	"	Thomas Lapham	Abigail Wilbur	
	12 "	"	214	David Joy	Mary Taber	
730	1 "	"	215	Moses Sherman	Meribah Wood	
	" "	"	"	Gideon Gifford	Elisabeth Allen	
	3 "	"	217	Isaac Smith	Mary Wilcox	
	4 "	"	"	Joseph Borden	Abigail Russell	
	8 "	"	221	Butler Wing	Bathsheba Clifton	✓
	10 "	"	222	Stephen Wing	Margaret Clifton	✓
	" "	"	223	Stephen Wilcox Junr	Mary Thomas	
	11 "	"	224	Richard Smith	Dorothy Potter	
	12 "	"	225	Eliashib Smith	Andery Gifford	
	" "	"	"	Humphrey Smith	Mary Wilcox	
	" "	"	"	Nathaniel Kirby	Abigail Russell	

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	8 "	"	231	Seth Hiller	Dorcas Davis
	9 "	"	232	John Russell Junr	Patience Tucker
	10 "	"	232	Timothy Ricketson	Bathsheba Wilbur
	12 "	"	234	Thomas Yeuen	Abigail Wood
1732	1 "	"	"	John Borden	Hannah Russell
	8 "	"	240	William Sanford	Rebecca Howland
	10 "	"	241	Richard Craw	Joanna Sherman
	" "	"	"	William Wilcox	Dorothy Allen
	11 "	"	243	Ichabod Kirby	Rachel Allen
1733	1 "	"	245	Edward Wing	Rebecca Slocum
"	7 "	"	248	Joseph Benson	Experience Barlow
	10 "	"	251	Henry Hedly	Rachel Shearman
	12 "	"	252	Benjamin Wing	Mary Hilliar
	" "	"	"	Caleb Russell	Rebekah Borden
734	8 "	"	257	Beriah Goddard	Unice West
"	" "	"	"	James Cornell	Abigail Tripp
"	" "	"	"	Joseph Merrihew	Edith Whitely
	5 "	"	255	William Lake	Joanna Butler
	9 "	"	259	Henry Chase	Mary Tripp
	10 "	"	260	Rufus Greene	Martha Russell
1735	10 "	"	267	Luke Hart	Mary Huttlestone
	12 "	"	268	Nicholas Howland	Zeruiah Russell
1736	2 "	"	270	Joseph Brownell	Leah Lawton
	4 "	"	271	William Bowdish	Mary Hart
	8 "	"	273	Recompense Kirby	Rebecca Cornell
	10 "	"	274	Job Howland	Naomy Chase
	11 "	"	275	Joseph Tripp	Abigail Wait
1737	3 "	"	278	David Stafford	Lydia Devoll

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1737	7 mo	page	281	Benjamin Wing	Experience Benson
	8 "	"	282	Joseph Smith	Elisabeth Davis
	9 "	"	"	Joseph Barker	Rebecca Smith
	10 "	"	283	Seth Sherman	Ruth Lapham
	" "	"	"	Reuben Devoll	Mary Ricketson
	11 "	"	284	Benjamin Russell	Hannah Allen
1738	1 "	"	285	Jacob Sherman	Margaret Prance
	3 "	"	286	John Allen	Margaret Soule
	" "	"	"	Joseph Havens	Rebecca Russell
	7 "	"	289	William Ricketson	Hannah Russell
	11 "	"	291	Stephen Peckham	Keturah Arthur
1739	2 "	"	292	Robert Hall	Isabel Sherman
	" "	"	293	John Potter	Hannah Barker
	4 "	"	294	Abraham Stafford	Ruth Wood
	7 "	"	296	William Russell	Elisabeth Wilbor
	" "	"	"	Joseph Taber	Mary Tinkham
	11 "	"	300	Peleg Cornell	Mary Russell
	12 "	"	"	David Smith	Jane Brown
1740	1 "	"	301	George Allen	Rachel Smith
	2 "	"	302	William Hart	Mary Shepherd
	3 "	"	303	Joseph Tripp	Judith Mosher
	5 "	"	304	Daniel Russell	Edith Howland
	8 "	"	306	Nathaniel Bowdish	Frances Lapham
	12 "	"	307	Daniel Howland	Mary Slocum
1741	2 "	"	308	William Gifford	Elizabeth Tripp
	9 "	"	311	John Gifford	Bathsheba Lapham
	11 "	"	312	Silas Kirby	Elisabeth Russell
	12 "	"	"	Francis Allen	Rebecca Tucker
1743	1 "	"	319	Peleg Gifford	Abigail Shepherd

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1743	7 mo	pp 322	Robert Mosher	Sarah Lawton
	9 "	" 324	Daniel Wood	Mary Wady
	12 "	. 325	Daniel Gifford	Ann Howland
1744	1 "	" "	Thomas Smith	Experience Chase
	1 .	" .	John Park	Sarah Gifford
	5 "	. 328	Barnabas Mosher	Bethiah Walker
	8 .	" 329	Robert Kirby Jur.	Abigail Allen
	8 "	" "	John Macomber	Desire Potter
	10 "	" 330	John Wood	Hannah Wing
	10 .	" .	Samuel Sawdy	Pernel Mott
1745.	4 "	" 335	Beriah Goddard	Susanna Sisson
	6 "	" 336	Philip Allen	Susanna Allen
	8 "	" 338	Othniel Tripp	Abigail Jenkins
	10 "	. 339	John Howland Jur.	Deborah Shepherd
	8 "	. 338	Lemuel Sisson	Deborah Wing
	11 "	" 341	William Gifford	Patience Russell
	11 "	" "	Nathaniel Mosher	Ruth Mott
	12 "	not recorded	John Wanton	Meribah Slocum
1746	1 "	pp.342	Josiah Akin	Judith Huddlestone.
	2 .	" 343	Isaac Gifford	Mary Cornell
	6 "	. 346	Nathaniel Howland	Joanna Howland
	6 "	. 347	Elisha Coggeshall	Elizabeth Russell
	7 "	. "	John Lawton	Rebekah Allen
	9 .	" 348	William Parker	Hannah Wood.
	10 .	" 349	Jonathan Sisson Jur.	Hannah Howland.
	10 .	" .	Joseph Earle	Eunice Hathaway
	12 .	. 350	Richard Gifford	Elisabeth Cornell
	12 .	. .	Joshua Lapham	Hannah Shearman
1747	2 .	" 351	James Tucker	Ruth Tucker
	2 .	" "	Job Anthony	Sarah Wing

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1747	2 Mo.	pp 351	John Walker	Margaret Mosher.
	7 ..	.. 355	Francis Barker	Sarah Howland
	7 ..	.. ..	David Gifford	Deborah Hart.
	10 ..	.. 357	Benjamin Howland	Anne Briggs.
	11 ..	.. ..	Joseph Brownell	Hannah Bowdish
	11 ..	.. ..	Paul Russell	Elisabeth Bowdish
	11 ..	.. ..	William Sisson	Lydia Potter
	12 ..	.. 358	Jacob Mott	Anne West
1748	1 ..	.. 359	Samuel Howland	Ruth Davel
	1 ..	.. ..	Benjamin Allen	Eliphal Slocum
	1 ..	.. ..	Jonathan Smith	Silvia Howland
	6 ..	.. 362	Giles Slocum	Silvia Russell
	6 ..	.. ..	Peleg Slocum	Elizabeth Brown
	7 ..	.. ..	Robert Barker	Joanna Russell
	7 ..	.. ..	Walter Easton	Meribah Ricketson
	7 ..	.. ..	William Howland	Rebeckah Peckham
	7 ..	.. ..	William Bennit	Hannah Taber.
	12 ..	.. 365	Increas Allen	Hannah Springer
1749	1 ..	.. 366	Benjamin Shaw	Elisabeth Potter.
	7 ..	.. 369	Charles Slocum	Sarah Allen
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	4 ..	.. 371	Francis Allen	Mary Ridingun
	11 ..	.. 372	Joshua Cornell	Susanna Gifford.
	12 ..	.. ..	Job Gifford	Martha Willcock
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1750	1 ..	.. 373	Barnabas Howland	Penelope Allen
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1750, 9mo	379	Nicholas Howland	Mary Lisson
1750.11mo	380	James Haden	Deborah Brown
ditto	380	John Russell	Catharine Williams
1751, 2mo	383.	Stokes Potter	Rebecca Shaw
1751, 3mo	384	Job Cornell	Mary Davis
1751, 5mo	386	Thomas Hicks	Elizabeth Hammond
ditto	386	Benj Slocum	Phebe Wing
1751, 6mo	387	Joseph Mosher	Joanna Mott
1751. 7mo	388	Jonathan Barney	Hannah Russell
1751. 9mo	389	Benjamin Smith	Susanna Wood
1752. 2mo	392	William Tripp	Lydia Shearman
1752. 3mo	392	Isaac Cornell	Priscilla Mosher
1752. 8mo	395	John Wood	Jerusha Taber
1752. 10mo	396	Philip Tripp	Sarah Wood
1752. 11mo	396	Prince Howland	Deborah Slocum
1752. 12mo	397	John Russell	Deborah Hunt
ditto	397	Thos Hathaway	Lois Taber
1753. 4mo	399	Benj Russell	Ann Smith
1753. 5mo	400	Josiah Wood	Hannah Tucker
1753. 6mo	401	John Taber	Sarah Walker
1753, 9mo	403	Daniel Wing	Lydia Shepherd
1753, 10mo	404	Solomon Hoxie	Jemima Shearman
1753, 12mo	405	Thomas Davis	Hannah Wood
ditto	405	Isaac Wood	Ruth Barker
1754. 2mo	406	Philip Trafford	Naomi Allen
ditto	406	John Gidley	Susannah Tripp
1754. 3mo	407	Jacob Taber Jr	Lydia Howland
1754. 12mo	413	Benjamin Wing Jr	Bathsheba Potter

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1755.5mo	417	Thos Cornell	Mary Russell
1755.8mo	419	Timothy Gifford	Martha Tucker
1756.3mo	423	Gershom Smith	Phebe White
1756.4mo	424	Samuel Wing	Elizabeth Barker
ditto	424	Deliverance Smith	Hannah Smith
ditto	424	Abiel Macomber	Rest Davol
1756, 5mo	425.	Francis Tripp	Content Griffeth
1756, 6mo	426	Christopher Davol	Mehitable Allen
1756, 7mo	428	Jedediah Allen	Eunice Wood
1756 11mo	429	Edw Wing Jr	Mehitable Russell
ditto	429	Wm Anthony Jr	Sarah Shearman
ditto	429	Jacob Russell	Phebe Willcock
1757 10mo	437	Henry Howland	Abigail Goddard
1757 12mo	438	Benjamin Shearman	Elizabeth Lapham
1758 1mo	439	Thomas Hix	Deborah Smith
1758, 2mo	440	Abraham Shearman	Mary Howland
ditto	440	Benjamin Butler	Esther Kempton
ditto	440	Israel Wood	Hannah Tripp
1758, 5m	443	Edw Thurston Jr	Pernel Sawdy
ditto	443	Jos Soule	Dinah Tripp
1758, 8m	446	Thomas Cook	Susanna Cornell
1758, 9m	446.	William Tripp	Maria Hammond
ditto	447	David Russell	Susanna Soule
ditto	447	Levi Smith	Silvester Allen
1758 10m	448	Philip Shearman	Mary Russell
1759 1mo	451	Barnabas Earl	Penal Chase
1759 2mo	451	Seth Russel	Mary Mosher

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1759 9mo	456	Timothy Davis	Hepsibah Hathaway
1760 5mo	462	Samuel Shove	Abigail Anthony
1760, 6mo	463.	Benjamin Russell Jr	Elizabeth Slocum
1760, 9mo	465	Joseph Slade	Deborah Howland
1761. 2mo	468.	Wesson Briggs	Phebe Russell
1761. 5mo	471	Daniel Russell	Mary Russell
ditto	471	Joseph Gifford	Hannah Howland
ditto	471	Samuel Smith	Mary Anthony
1761,10mo	475.	Luthan Wood	Sarah Tucker
(1761. 11mo	477	Henry Russell entered before	Mary Brayton)
1761 12m	477	Nicholas Davis	Sarah Williams
1762 1mo	478	Elnathan Eldridge	Ann Allen
1762, 2mo	479	Humphrey Smith Jr	Rebecca Slocum Jr
ditto	479	John Akin	Peace Russell
ditto	479	Ignatius Dillingham	Deborah Gifford
ditto	480	Henry Russell	Mary Brayton
1762,3mo	481	Geo Sanford	Rachel Gifford
1762. 9mo	488	Samuel Shove	Rebecca Tucker Jr
1762,10mo	489	Adam Mott Jr	Rachel Rider
1762,11mo	489	Thomas Russell	Edith Shearman
1762 12m	490.	Ebenezer Mosher	Jane Craw
1763 2mo	492	John Dillingham	Ruth Gifford
ditto	493.	Elihu Russell	Elizabeth Slocum
1763. 3mo	493.	Henry Smith	Cynthia Wood
1763 4mo	494	Abner Shepherd	Hannah Gifford
1763. 6mo	497	John Ricketson Jr	Patience Tucker
1763. 9mo	500	Benj Tucker	Zurviah Ricketson
1764. 1mo	503	Francis Coffin	Anne Hussey

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1764 [illegible]	505	Joseph [illegible]	[illegible]
do	[illegible]	Daniel [illegible]	Rebecca [illegible]
1764, 6mo	508	Stephen [illegible]	Abigail [illegible]
1764, 10mo	[illegible]	[illegible]	Mary [illegible]
1764 12mo	513	William Hathaway	Ruth [illegible]
1765 2mo	516	Ezekiel Cornell	Mary Russell
1765 7mo	524	Zephaniah Anthony	Phebe Allen
1765 [illegible]	[illegible]	Benjamin Davis	Sabina [illegible]
1765, 10mo	528	John Howland	Hannah Smith
1765, 11mo	530	Seth Russell	Keziah [illegible]
1766 [illegible]	535	David Briggs	Rebecca [illegible]
do	[illegible]	Edward Maxfield	Rachel Russell
do	[illegible]	John Howland	[illegible]
1766 [illegible]	540	Edward [illegible] Jr	Edith [illegible]
do	[illegible]	[illegible] Smith Jr	Rebecca Howland
1766 6mo	[illegible]	John Ricketson	Elizabeth Smith
1766 [illegible]	546	[illegible] Howland	Lucy Allen
1767 [illegible]	550	[illegible] Allen	Rebecca Russell
" 4mo	552	Timothy Russell	Hannah Briggs
9mo	555	David Anthony	Judith Hicks
10mo	556	Shadrach Dennis	Abial Hussey
1768. 2mo	561	Daniel Ricketson	Rebecca Russell
3mo	563	Benjamin King	Peace Gifford
4mo	564	David Allen 3d [illegible]	Hannah Ricketson
6mo	566	Barnabas Kirby	Elizabeth Allen
7mo	567	William Tripp	Elizabeth Maxfield
9mo	569	Caleb Macumber	Rachel Wilbour
12mo	573	Peleg Slocum Jun	Susanna Howland

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1768. 12 mo	574	Barnabas Wing	[illegible]
1769. 1 mo	575	Bartholomew Taber	[illegible]
~	~	Thomas Wing	Deborah [illegible]
3 mo	576	James [illegible]	Patience [illegible]
6 mo	582	Abraham Smith	[illegible]
9 mo	583	John Tucker	[illegible] Wing
[illegible]	584	William Taber [illegible]	Martha [illegible]
11 mo	585	[illegible]	Rebecca [illegible]
~	~	John Wood.	[illegible]
~	~	Increase [illegible]	Elizabeth [illegible]
1770 1 mo	587	Benjamin [illegible]	[illegible] Smith
3 mo	590	Caleb Russell jun	Content [illegible]
4 mo	Vol. 3	[illegible]	[illegible]
12 mo	8	Joseph [illegible] jun	Hannah Winslow
1771 4 mo	15	Jonathan Tucker	[illegible]
1772. 1 mo	30	William Russell	Welthian Spencer
~	30	[illegible] Russell	Anna [illegible]
7 mo	40	[illegible]	[illegible]
10 mo	45	Joseph Russ[illegible]	Mehetabel [illegible]
1773. 3 mo	55	Nathan Wood	Susannah Wing
~	~	Benjamin [illegible]	[illegible]
10 mo	57	Jonathan Wing	Ann Wood
1774. 1 mo	63	[illegible]	[illegible]
7 mo	72	Clement [illegible]	Rebecca Cornal
1775. 1 mo	80	Jonathan [illegible]	Mary [illegible]
2 mo	81	Thomas Smith	[illegible]
~	83	Jonathan [illegible] jun	[illegible] Tucker
6 mo	88	James [illegible]	[illegible]
8 mo	91	Shubael Bunker [illegible]	Lydia Gardner

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1775. 11 mo	Vol 2. 93	Abraham Allen	Phebe Kirby
1776. 2 mo	96	John Ricketson	Sarah Morell
" 5 mo	101	George Haney	Mary Potter
" 11 mo	111	Samuel Howland	Mary Smith
1777. 7 mo	126	John Williams	Martha Peabody
9 mo	132	Benjn Howland 2nd	Mary Slocum
1778. 1 mo	135	Samuel Gifford	Lillis Macomber
5 mo	140	Jonathan Sowle Jr	Bathsheba Russell
6 mo	141	George Folger	Rebecca Slocum
~	"	Sylvanus Folger	Abig Slocum
1779. 1 mo	157	Job Sisson	Ruth Shepherd
11 mo	170	John Howland	Reliance Shepherd
12 mo	172	Nathaniel Gifford	Mehetebel Stafford
1780 2 mo	177	Humphrey Russell	Bethiah Eldredge
4 mo	181	Barnabas Mosher Jr	Ruth Anthony.
9 mo	189	Humphrey Shearman	Mercy Lapham
11 mo	194	Robert Sutton	Ruth Tucker
1781 1 mo	197	Nathaniel Sisson	Grace Gifford
3 mo	201	Seth Hart	Abigail Anthony
8 mo	215	Allen Russell	Abigail Allen
1782. 2 mo	224	Bennet Wing of Sandwich	Rhoda Ricketson
~	~	George Folger of Nantucket	Rebeckah Shove
7 mo	228	Joseph Mosher	Elizabeth Briggs
10 mo	238	William Tucker Jr	Deborah Shearman
11 mo	239	Abraham Anthony son of Philip	Latitia Smith
"	240	George Smith 2d	Mary Smith daughter of Humphrey
1783 2 mo	245	Ebenezer Baker	Susanna Mosher
3 mo	254	Benjamin Gifford Jr	Rhoda Potter
8 mo	262	William Russell son of Abraham	Hepzabeth Mosher

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1783	9mo	264	Ephraim Mosher	Joanna Mosher
	11mo	2?0	William Gifford	Hannah Smith
1784	9mo	289	William Howland	Abigail Wilbor
1785	[illegible]	9 month another book	Benj Allen	Sarah Howland jun
"	9mo	23	Henry Smith	Abigail Russell
1786.	10mo	57	William Howland son of Benjn	Anna Howland
1787.	7mo	86	James Rogers	Deborah Smith
~	~	~	Benjamin Tucker jun	Phebe Akin
	9mo	90	Peleg Howland	Mary Tucker jun
	10mo	94	Elihu Mosher	Ruth Cornish
	11mo	96	Adams Smith	Hannah Tucker
	~	~	Abes Smith	Ruth Howland
	~	~	Humphrey Hathaway Dartmouth	Abigail Smith
	~	~	Lemuel Shaw [illegible]	Elizabeth [illegible]
1788	2mo	358	Joseph Estes	Edith Wood
	4mo	361	Abner Shepherd	Apphia Mott
		371	Peleg Allen	Elizabeth Kirby "
	12mo	374	Joseph Rogers	Elizabeth Kirby
1789-	1mo	37?	Reuben Allen	Bathsheba Kirby
	2mo	376	Joseph Russell	Edith Allen
			Benj Allen	Virginia Shearman
	7mo	384	Gideon Anthony	Alice Smith
	9mo	385	Benja Smith	Martha Gifford
	10mo	386	Caleb Congdon	Susanna Tabor
	do	do	Abraham Tucker	Hannah Shearman.
	12mo	390	Edw Tucker	Anne Gifford
1790	3mo	393	Jasper Bowerman	Elizabeth Shepherd
do	do	do	Thos Gidley	Martha Gifford
do	do	do	Jos Russell	[illegible]
	4mo	396	Hezekiah Smith	Silvia Russell
	[illegible]	40?	Matthew Wood	Rhoda Briggs

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1792 2 mo	437	Chilion Wood	Lillis Gifford
do 3 mo	440	Thomas Allen	Judith Kirby
do 4 mo	444	Geo Harris of Providence	Martha Greene
" 9 mo	452	Asa Smith	Jemimah Russell
" 12 mo	456	Geo B Almy	Elizabeth Tucker

Copy of the Agreement to build.

Further contributions were made.

A ~~meeting at Acoaxet~~ mentioned in 9 mo 1699 at friends house.

First mention of minutes for relig service in 7 mo 1701 - to P Slocum and Stephen Wilcox -

A ~~meeting at Sippican mentioned in 4 mo 17..~~

This Meeting held at house of P Slocum until 4 mo 1703.

In 1703 an addition built to mtg house.

~~From 9 mo 1705 collection taken on each~~ mo mtg day -

- Prep Mtg ~~established at Apponegansett~~ in 1706 -

~~Meeting house at Acoaxet mention~~ in 1706

~~Land set apart for burial ground in~~ 1706

~~Concluded to contribute £10 for Salem Meeting house~~ in 1706

Prep Mtg ~~at Rochester established~~ in 1707 -

In 9 mo 1707 - agreed to contribute £4 for Boston Mtg house.

Meeting ~~for worship at Accushnet established in 1709~~.

In 1709 £10 subscribed towards building Friends meeting house in Boston and subsequently collected.

agreed to ~~contribute £4~~ to Kingston Mtg house.

In 1712 mention made of an addition to Meeting house

In 6 mo 1713 concluded to contribute £4½ for Swan Mtg house

Next month £2-07-06 ordered paid

6 mo 1714 A subscription made for land for Boston Meeting house

3 mo 1715 Subscription for Salem Meeting House (£7 3s)

~~In 10 mo 1715. It was agreed to build a Mtg house on other side Acoaxet River~~

1 mo 1716 a scruple as to lawfulness of slavery

10 mo 1716 purchasing of slaves discouraged

~~In 1717 mention made of a meeting house at~~ Rochester

2 mo 1720 - subscripn ~~made~~ for Salem Mtg house

In 1725 £10 contributed ~~to building~~ Prov Meeting House

~~In 1727 land purchased at Accushnet for Mtg house~~

" 1728 determined to build a meeting house at Accushnet size of one at Pembroke

About the year 1729 meeting house built at Accushnet -

1736 Subscription for ~~Tiverton~~ Meeting house

1738 ~~Agreed to subscribe £7 for building~~ Leicester Mtg house

6 mo 1740 ~~Last mention of~~ Rochester Meeting.

1745 Concluded ~~to subscribe £26 for Taunton and Westerly Meeting houses~~

~~1744 First~~ mention of Meeting ~~at~~ Newtown (Cheesecock ~~Adam Mott~~)

~~1745 Acoaxet Prep mtg established~~

1753 - 10£ 13s ~~subscribed for Kingston Mtg house~~

1754. £22 3s ~~collected for rebg Warwick Meeting house~~

~~1754 Meeting house built at Newtown on lot presented by Joseph Merchant £401 10s subscribed in 10 mo Estimated cost 600£ in RI currency~~

~~1754 - 11£ 18s collected for Richmond and Warwick Meeting houses -~~

1758 ~~Meeting at Ottum~~ Nich

1758 £36 11s-06d ~~contributed for Prov Meety House~~

1758 Meeting ~~at head of Noquochuck~~ River

1759 £9-09-09½ ~~premium money~~ pd toward Prov Mtg House

1759 £22 6-07 ~~for Prov mtg house~~

1760 £29.10 for sufferers in Boston fire.

1760 £163-11s for Prov Mtghouse

1760 £10-01-08 for Boston Meeting House

1761 - Meeting at Fiskum Allens House

~~1766 Acoaxet Mo Mtg set off~~

1761 - ~~abt £240 for Prov Meeting House~~

1761 - ~~Meeting House built near head of Noquochuck~~ river

1762 Friends at eastward Acushnet river set off to Sandwich Mo Mtg

The Acushnet river made the boundary between the 2 Quarterly Meetings by the YM

1764 - Meeting mentioned at New Swansey

1768 - ~~Meeting~~ mentioned at Smithfield

In 1771 - proposed to build a mtg house at Allen's Neck
(nothing further in record)

1772 - Meeting established at New Bedford

1776 - £7 - 3s - 7d lawfull money collected
for Smithfield Mtg House

In 1784 - 2 prep mtgs established from the one then existing -
the south and north - former to be held at Appon-
and the latter at New Bedford and Newtown

In 1785 - Apponegant house was practically condemned -
Meeting house built at New Bedford

Annexation to Sandwich QM a matter for several years by the Yearly Mtg and RI QM -
In 7mo 1788 - foll minute entered -

4mo 1790 - decided to remove the old house Apponegants
9mo 1790 - new house completed and used.

12mo 1792 - New Bedford Mo M set off

7mo 1812 - Prep Mtg estab at Allens [illegible] called [illegible]

1817 - Mention of Mtg house at Allens Neck
1819 - Mtg house built at Smiths Neck

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William Anthony Reports that he hath served Humphrey Smith with a coppy of his denial according to the appointment of last monthly meeting and said paper hath been read as ordered by last Monthly meeting, which paper is as follows;

Humphrey Smiths Denial

Whereas Humphrey Smith, son of Humphrey Smith having had his education among friends, yet thro' disregarding the Principle of Life in his own heart hath so far followed the Vanity of his own unstable mind as to fall into Several Reproachful Evils, particularly in that he being accused in being the father of a Bastard Child and he in no wise clearing himself thereof to the satisfaction of friends, and after inspection we have sufficient to believe the accusation to be justly grounded. Likewise he is found in the too frequent practice of drinking spirituous liquors to Excess, and also in the use of bad language, for which friends have Repeatedly Laboured with him in Love in order to reclaim him from such Vanities, but our Labour not having the desired Effect to friends satisfaction, Therefore for the clearing of Truth and friends from the reproach of such Enormous Practices this Meeting is concerned to give this forth against him, and do hereby publickly disown him the said Humphrey Smith from being one of our Society, and from being in membership with us, desiring nevertheless if it be Agreeable to divine pleasure that he may yet be Restored from the evil of his ways and by unfeigned repentance return to the way of Truth. Given forth by our Monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth on the 18th of the 6th month 1770 And signed in & on behalf of said meeting by Jos Russell Clerk.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read and kindly accepted, and they [illegible] that they have [illegible] the money to the yearly meeting stock, and have produced a receipt in full from s^d stock. 16/ This meeting hath received [illegible] London Printed Epistles, and also a Transcript of our last yearly Meetings Epistles. Likewise a coppy of Several matters concluded on by said Meeting.

Nicolas Howland is Appointed an Overseer to serve with the Friends that were appointed last month.

The committee appointed to deal with John Russell Report that they have discharged the trust reposed in them, and John Russell hath Given in a paper to this meeting condemning his offence in Reporting in too Extencive a manner that William Anthony jun^r was a false man and a deceiver, which this Meeting concludes to Accept of, Provided he cause said paper to be read publickly at the End of a first day meeting of worship he being present between this & the next Monthly meeting and return said paper & make Report.

Whereas Some months past Caleb Russell

7th mo
1770

Expressed in a Monthly Meeting that David Smith was not Suitable to be Appointed in business by reason that he was against the Meeting and it is the Sense & Judgment of this Meeting that

Caleb Russell['s] acknowledgment

Caleb Russell inconsiderately Expressed himself [illegible] which he hath condemned to the Satisfaction of this Meeting two months past, and then desired of David Smith to pass it by, but we have omitted Inserting it until this day.

This Meeting Adjorns to the 25th day of this Instant after the Meeting of worship.

At a Monthly Meeting Mett by Adjournment the 25th of the 7th mo 1770, The Representatives being called both present.

It was proposed for a New Choise of overseers of the poor, but the former not being all present the matter is Referred to next Monthly meeting

John Potter hath Exhibited an Accompt to this meeting for doing for the poor and for one Funching Shovel and one Pail all amounting to £4.1-3d old tenner and Thomas Hicks hath likewise Exhibited an accompt for mending the Meeting House to the Amount of £1-2-6 old tenner which this Meeting approves and do order them to draw the money out of the Treasury and make Report as soon as they can conveniently.

William Barker William Mosher and Barzillai Tucker are Appointed a Standing Committee for friends to advise with in the Intervals of monthly meetings in Cases of Going to Law.

Whereas this meeting is possessed of a Number of Fox's Large Primers and Fullers Books, Therefore Caleb Russell and Wm Barker are appointed to take the Books and Endeavour to Sell them at the prime Cost, and Return the Money to this Meeting as soon as they can.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 8th month 1770, the Representatives are, John Potter & Samuel Smith both present.

John Russell's paper hath been read according to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting but he hath Omitted Returning said paper to the meeting as ordered, Therefore he is desired to Return said paper to the next Monthly Meeting.

Caleb Russell, Joseph Barker, Barzillai Tucker & Gideon Howland are Appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year Enduing.

Joanna Mosher and family received

Joanna Mosher widow and her family having Returned to live Among us again, have Produced a Removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of the Nine partners, which hath been read and Accepted.

This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for Rebecca Barnard to the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket.

The Overseers Inform that John Smith hath Married out of the unity of friends, for which they have Laboured with him but he declines to Make friends Satisfaction. Therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Joseph Tucker and Paul Russell to

8th mo 1770 Labour with him further and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

John Potter and Thomas Hicks have taken the money out of the Treasury as ordered by last monthly meeting.

This Meeting hath Collected £7-15-6 old tenor.

Friends at the last monthly meeting we received several matters concluded on by our last yearly Meeting, and now this meeting concludes to send up to the quarterly meeting to know under what head in the book of discipline will be most proper to place them.

9th mo 1770 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 9th month 1770 the Representatives are Wm Mosher & Barzillai Tucker both present.

Lemuel Mosher and Ruth Gifford Lemuel Mosher & Ruth Gifford declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer and Paul Russell & Barzillai Tucker are appointed to Enquire into the young mans clearness respecting Marriage & Conversation and make Report to the next monthly Meeting.

John Russell hath returned his paper according to the Request of last monthly Meeting; ——
which paper is as followeth

To the Monthly Meeting of friends held

John Russell's paper of condemnation this 16th of the 7th mo. 1770.

As I have Reported of William Anthony Jr that he was a false man & a deceiver, for which I am sorry that thro' Inadvertancy I Reported in so Extensive a manner, by which I have broke the good order of friends — my misconduct in so Reporting, I condemn, & I desire friends to pass by my offence and still Continue me under their care, as I desire that I may be more careful for the futer. John Russell.

The friends appointed to Labour with John Smith Report that they have laboured with him and he gave them Encouragement of making this meeting Satisfaction. Therefore the matter is Referred under their care until next monthly meeting, and they are desired to make report.

Obadiah Gifford hath removed to the Nine partners with his family and requests a Removal Certificate for himself and family, therefore Daniel Cornell & Philip Allen are appointed to make Inquiry into his Life & Conversation, and also to see if His Temporal affairs be settled according to the good order of friends; and to draft a Certificate for them if they think proper and to make Report to the next monthly meeting.

The overseers Inform that Benjn Chase hath gone contrary to good order in Striking of Abigail Jackman, therefore this meeting do appoint Luke Kent and Barnabus Mosher to Enquire into the circumstance relating to the cause of his aforesaid disorder, and to Labour with him as they may find freedom. and to make Report to the next Monthly meeting.

The queries have been Read and Answered

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in this meeting.

Abraham Tucker, Joseph Tucker, Nicolas Howland are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and to present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries, which Epistle hath been Signed in this Meeting, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Paul Russel. Minute for service.

Our friend Paul Russell having a mind of going by way of Certificate in order to visit the Quarterly Meeting next to be holden at Pembrook which hath been Read & Signed in this Meeting.

The women friends Inform that Martha [illegible] hath given in a paper to their Meeting Condemning her falling into the sin of Fornication which is Accepted provided She cause it to be read Publicly at the close of a first day meeting for worship between this and next monthly meeting, She being present and return the paper to next monthly meeting.

The women friends also Inform that Experience Smith wife of Humphrey Smith 3d hath made them Satisfaction for marrying out of the unity of friends. They also Inform that they have denied Rebecca Briggs wife to Jno Briggs for keeping company and marrying out of the unity of friends, which this meeting concurs with.

Rebecca Briggs denied

This Meeting hath collected £6-13-8 old tenor.

10 mo 1770.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 10th Month 1770. The Representatives are [illegible] Tucker [illegible].

[illegible], Paul Russell & Barzillai Tucker Inform that they have made Inquiry into Samuel Mosher's Clearness respecting Marriage and conversation, and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage. Samuel Mosher & Ruth Gifford Appeared for their Answer which was that they Might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose and Paul Russell and Barzillai Tucker are Appointed to see their Marriage Consummated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Committee Appointed to Treat with John Smith Report that they have Treated with him, and he hath Given in a paper to this Meeting in order to Condemn his disorder, which this Meeting thinks is too Short & not to the purpose, therefore the matter is Referred under the Care of the aforesaid Committee to the next Monthly Meeting.

Obadiah Gifford and family. Removal certif.

This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for Obediah Gifford and his Children to the Monthly Meeting at the Nine Partners.

The friends Appointed to Treat with Benjn Slade Report that they have had Some discourse with

10th mo 1770 him and desire the matter to be Continued one month Longer under their care which is Referred Accordingly, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report That they all attended according to Appointment, and have Produced an Epistle from the Same, which hath been Read & kindly accepted.

Martha Peabody's Paper hath not been read According to the direction of last monthly meeting for which omission there hath been a Reasonable Excuse made. Therefore She is directed to Cause it to be read at the End of a first day Meeting for worship before the next monthly meeting, and She to be present and Return Said paper to the next monthly meeting.

Matthew Franklin & Richard Titus Public Friends with minutes. Our friends Matthew Franklin and Richard Titus have Visited This meeting with their Certificates, the first from the Monthly Meeting held at Newtown on Long Island the 7th of the 4th mo. 1770, and the Latter from the Monthly Meeting held at Westbury on Long Island the 24th of the 8th month 1770, which have been Read to good Satisfaction, and their Visits kindly accepted and this meeting finds freedom to Give each of them a Certificate, Therefore we do Appoint Samuel Smith and Wm Anthony jur, to prepare Certificates for them & bring them to the adjournment.

This meeting doth Appoint Jonathan Hussey, Wm Mosher, Benjamin Tucker, Samuel Smith, Wm Anthony jur and Barnabas Mosher to have the oversight of the Yards and Stone walls at our Yearly meeting to prevent any Indecency that may be liable to happen at that time and to make Report of their Service to the next Monthly Meeting.

Lydia Potter Disowned. This meeting hath Signed a paper of denial against Lydia Potter for the Sin of Fornication, and the Overseers is ordered to read sd paper at the End of a first day meeting for worship between this and next monthly Meeting, and is then to make Report.

Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, Wm Mosher, Benjamin Tucker, and Jonathan Hussey are Appointed a Committee to have the oversight of those friends and others that attend our Religious Meetings and are frequently in the practice of Staying out of doors after the Meetings are gathered and to Invite them into meeting when they think Necessary.

This meeting Adjourns to the 24th Instant after the Meeting of worship.

At a monthly meeting met According to adjournment the 24th day of the 10th month 1770. The Representatives being called both present.

This Meeting hath Signed two Certificates one for our friend Matthew Franklin to the Monthly Meeting of Newtown on Long Island and the other for our friend Richard Titus to the Monthly Meeting of Wesbury on Long Island.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 11th month 1770, the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey and William [illegible] both present;

[illegible] Russell and Benjamin Taber Report that they attended the Marriage of Samuel [illegible] & [illegible] and it was Consummated in tolerable good order.

The Committee appointed to Labour with John [illegible] Report that they have Visited with him, and he Still Refuses to Condemn his Disorder to the Satisfaction of this meeting, therefore the matter is referred under the care of the aforesaid Committee, and they to make Report to the next monthly meeting.

The Com'tee appointed to Labour with Benj'n [illegible] Report that they have made some progress therein, and they desire one month longer for that Service, therefore they are Still Continued in said Service accordingly, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Martha [illegible]
acknowledge.

Martha [illegible] paper hath been read according to the appointment of last monthly meeting and returned to this meeting, and is as follows viz

To the Monthly Meeting to be held in Dartmouth the 16th 7th mo 1770. Esteemed friends.

These are to Inform that through unwatchfulness I have fallen into the Reproachful sin of Fornication as appears by my having a Child so soon after Marriage for which I am heartily sorry for and do Condemn the same, with all the rest of my outgoings, hoping God will forgive me and desiring friends so far to pass it by as to let me Remain under your Care.

From your friend Martha [illegible].

dated the 16th 7 mo 1770.

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the Lofts and other Seats at our last yearly meeting, Report that they all attended according to appointment, and that people behaved as Still as could be Reasonably expected.

Lydia Potters paper of Denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth.

At a Monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth on the 15th of the 10th month 1770,

Whereas Lydia Potter having had her Education among friends and under the care of this meeting but yet for want of watchfulness and by giving way to the Inclinations of the Evil one hath fallen in the Reproachful Sin of Fornication which may Appear to the world by her having a Child so Soon after Marriage notwithstanding the Much Labour that hath been taken for to bring her to a Sight & Sense of her outgoings proves Ineffectual and She not having any Appearance of a disposition to Condemn her Sd outgoing, and to make friends Satisfaction; Now for the Clearing the Truth this Meeting can do

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[illegible] Lay it [illegible] Testimony against such Appearances [illegible] the said Lydia [illegible] from being under the Care of this meeting, yet [illegible] that she may be brought to a right sense of her [illegible], and come to a true Repentance and find Mercy.

Given forth and Signed in & on behalf of s.d meeting by
Job Russell Clerk
Hephzibah Hussey Clk.

Hannah [illegible]

The women friends Informs that they have Minuted Hannah Winslow under their care, which [illegible]

Removal certif. for [illegible]

This meeting [illegible] Signed a Removal Certificate for [illegible] to the Monthly Meeting of Swanzey.

Meetings at Allen's & Smith's Necks [illegible]

The Friends living in Allen's Neck, and [illegible] in Smith's Neck request liberty to have a Meeting in Each neck, the Ensuing Winter. [illegible] this meeting Grants them their Requests in both Necks; and they to hold a Meeting in [illegible] neck [illegible] of the [illegible] meeting to be held in the third month next, and Philip Allen & Daniel Cornell are Appointed to have [illegible] of the meeting in their s.d neck, and Samuel Smith & Benj.a Howland [illegible] are appointed for the same Service in the meeting in their neck, and all to make Report to the s.d third month next.

Weston Briggs hath [illegible] Swanzey Monthly Meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] think proper [illegible] next monthly meeting. And Tho.s Hicks and W.m Anthony jun.r are appointed for the same Service for Weston Briggs and to join the women friends to draft a Certificate for himself & family, if they think proper and to bring it to the next monthly meeting.

[illegible] hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning her falling into the Sin of Fornication, which this Meeting Concludes to Accept Provided said paper be read at the End of a first day Meeting for worship, and she is Excused from being present at the reading said paper by reason of her being at a Great distance, [illegible] in her behalf [illegible] the Clerk of this meeting is ordered to read said paper according to the [illegible] and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting Proposes to build a new Meeting House where our old one now Stands in Aponagansett, and we appoint Barnabas [illegible], Prince Allen, Philip [illegible], Caleb Russell, Jonathan Hussey, W.m Anthony jun.r, Joseph Russell, [illegible] Smith and [illegible] Smith, and they to consider how large to build said house and also to compute the cost as near as they can and to make report

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to the next Monthly Meeting.

John Potter, Prince Allen, Wm Anthony jur are appointed to Join the overseers of the poor, to Settle accounts in [illegible] of Alice Smith with John Gisson, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

12th mo 1770.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 12th month 1770. The Representatives are Wm Barker and Barzillai Tucker both present.

Jos Gifford jr and Hannah [illegible] marriage

Joseph Gifford jr and Hannah [illegible] declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Wm Barker and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to Enquire into the young man's clearness respecting Marriage & conversation and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to Labour with John Smith Report that they have Treated further with him, and that he gave them some satisfaction, but [illegible] to make the necessary Satisfaction, therefore the matter is still referred under the care of the above sd Committee, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The friends Appointed to Enquire into the case of Benjn Chase's Striking of Abigail Mackomber Report that he hath rendered Abigail Satisfaction, therefore this meeting concludes to accept of his paper that he gave in some months past provided he cause it to be read at the close of a first day meeting for worship at Newtown between this & the next monthly meeting, and Return said paper.

Barnabas Russell hath produced a certificate from the two weeks meeting in London held on the 1st of the 9th month 1770 which hath been read & well Accepted.

Jacob Chase [illegible]

Luke Hart & Barnabas Mosher have prepared a removal certificate for Jacob Chase & children to the monthly meeting of Swanzey which hath been signed in this meeting, and this meeting hath received a removal certificate for Weston Briggs, according to the above sd meeting.

Jeneverah Gifford's condemnation

Jeneverah Gifford's paper hath been read according to the direction of last Monthly Meeting and is as follows viz

Sandwich the 2nd of the 7th month 1769.

To the Monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth the 17th Instant

Beloved friends, These may inform that notwithstanding I had my Education amongst friends, I have by Giving way to the Temtation of the enemy, been Guilty of the Sin of fornication as appears by my having a Child so soon after Marriage, which sin I do condemn with all other my Offences and am heartily sorry for (them) hoping that God will forgive me, and I do desire that friends will so far pass by my Offences as to let me Still Remain under their care, from your friend

Jeneverah Gifford.

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The Committee appointed to consider about Building a New Meeting House in Apponegansett are to continue the Case Report as before

The committee appointed to Join with the overseers of the poor to Settle the Estate of Alice Smith Report that the matter is unsettled therefore they are Still continued to Endeavour to settle the matter as soon as may be and then to make Report.

Walter Cornell hath Exhibited a complaint against Jedediah Allen for Refusing to Join with him in fulfilling the Judgment of the Arbitrators respecting the discharging of their Mother Wood's debts that she left at her decease, therefore this meeting do appoint Caleb Russell, Wm Anthony, jur, Barzillai Tucker, Joseph Barker, Thomas Hicks a Committee to Inquire into the State of the case and to Labour as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the next monthly meeting.

Benjamin Shearman, Thos Shearman and Peleg Shearman Jointly have Exhibited a complaint against Humphrey Smith for Refusing to Submit a Controversy between them to men. Therefore this meeting do appoint Joseph Gifford, Gideon Howland, Barzillai Tucker, Joseph Barker, Benja Howland a Committee to Inquire into the State of the case and to Labour as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Queries have been read and answered in this meeting and Joseph Tucker, Jonathan Hussey, Wm Anthony jur, and Samuel Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and to present the Epistle with the answers to the Queries, which Epistle hath been signed in this meeting, and they to make Report next monthly meeting.

Joseph Trafford hath given in a Paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into the Sin of fornication therefore this meeting do appoint Wm Anthony jur, and Benja Howland the 2nd to Inquire if the young woman be satisfied that Accused him, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This meeting hath collected £7, 10-6d old tenor.

first mo. 1771

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st the first month 1771, the representatives are [illegible] and Wm Anthony jur both present.—

Wm Barker and Benjamin Tucker Report that they have made Enquiry into Joseph Gifford Jr Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage.

Joseph Gifford jr and [illegible] appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage before the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers for that purpose and Wm Barker, Benjamin Tucker are appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in good order and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

John Smith hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his disorderly Marriage, which is accepted and he Still to Remain under the care of this meeting.

Benja Chases paper hath been read According to the direction of the Last monthly meeting, and is as follows, viz,

Benja Chase Acknowledgm.

Dartmouth the the 17th day of 9th month 1770.

To the Monthly Meeting of friends held at Ponagansett Whereas I thro weakness and Giving way to the Temtations of the enemy some time past Struck Abigail [illegible], for which I am now sorry for and Condemn hoping the almighty will forgive me desiring to be preserved from such practices for the future and desire that friends will pass it by and Continue me under their care, this from your friend Benjamin Chase

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended According to Appointment and have produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been read & kindly accepted.

The Committee appointed to Enquire into the Complaint of Walter Cornel against Frederick [illegible] Request the matter to be deferred one month Longer under their Care therefore their Request is Granted and they to make Report to the next monthly meeting.

Jeneverah Gifford Remove Certif.

This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for Jeneverah Gifford wife of Silvanus Gifford to the Monthly meeting of Sandwich.

The Committee appointed to Enquire into the Complaint of Benja Frost and Peleg Shearman against Humphry Smith Report that the matter is Still unsettled, and Humphry Smith Requests a Coppy of the Complaint therefore the Said Complaint is Refered under the care of the aforesaid Committee and they to Consider whether it be best to Give said Smith a Coppy or not, and if upon mature Consideration they think best to Give a Coppy they may, and Job Case and Wm Anthony jur are Added to the afforesaid Committee, and they to advise and Labour as they may find freedom, and make Report to the next monthly Meeting.

The Committee Appointed on the

1st month 1771. account of Joseph Trafford make a Satisfactory Report, [illegible] paper is Accepted. Provided he cause it to be read Publickly at the end of a first day meeting for worship before next monthly meeting, he being present and Return it to next monthly meeting, and Report of its being read.

[illegible] hath [illegible] a paper to this meeting [illegible] his disorderly [illegible]. Therefore the matter is Referred under the care of Samuel Smith & Wm Anthony jur and they to make report to the next monthly meeting.

Barker Little rec'd from Pembroke. Barker Little hath Produced a Removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Pembroke which hath been read and Accepted.

Isaac Howland jr rec'd from Rhode Island. Isaac Howland jur hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island which hath been Read and Accepted.

Paul Russell minute for service. This Meeting hath Given Paul Russell a few Lines to the monthly Meeting of Sandwich Signifying our Unity with his Visit.

This Meeting hath collected £10-14-0 old Tener and the Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell five Dollars for Keeping the meeting house half a year and Also to pay [illegible] [illegible].

2d mo 1771

At a Monthly Meeting [illegible] held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 2d month 1771, the Representatives are Samuel Smith and Thos Hicks both present.

Wm Barker & Barzillai Tucker Report that they attended the marriage of Joseph Gifford jur & Hannah [illegible] which was Consummated in Good order.

The Comtee Appointed to Inquire into the Complaint of Benja Howd & Peleg Sherman Against Humphrey Smith Report that they have made some progress therein, and [illegible] which is allowed.

Thos Hicks hath Produced a Quire of paper to this Meeting which cost 11/3 old Tener.

Joseph Trafford's Paper hath been Read According to the Appointment of Last monthly meeting & Returned to this meeting, which Paper is as followeth, viz:

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth
Respected friends

Joseph Trafford's acknowledgment. With sorrow I have to Acknowledge my misconduct in falling into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication for which I am heartily and sincerely sorry, and do Condemn the same with all other my outgoings, and Desiring forgiveness from the Almighty, and that friends would so far pass by my misconduct as to Let me Remain under their Care.

Given forth by your friend this 14th of the 11mo 1770.
Joseph Trafford.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell Ten dollars for Keeping the meeting house a year

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but has not paid John Sanford as ordered therefore he is still continued to pay sd Sanford & to make report to the next Monthly Meeting

Wm Anthony jr and Samuel Smith Report that they have Taken some [illegible] concerning [illegible] respecting his disorderly Marriage and that they have done some labour, Therefore they are still continued in the same Service and to make Report when they think necessary.

The Greatest part of the Comtee appointed to Inquire into the Complaint of Walter Cornel against Jedediah Allen Report as followeth which is accepted by this Meeting.

According to appointment of last Monthly Meeting we have inquired into the reason of Jedediah Allen refusing to Join Walter Cornel in the Discharging their mother Wood's Debts according to the Judgment of the Arbitrators that settled that affair, & according to the best of our understanding we have to inform that although it falls somewhat hard upon J Allen yet we think Walter Cornel suffers equally with him in said Judgment, and as they have bound themselves to perform the same we advised J Allen to Comply therewith. Likewise we understand there is some Debts that was not brought in to ye Arbitrators to Judge on, that was made by Jedediah Wood we think them Don't belong to Jedediah Allen and Walter Cornel to pay unless them Arbitrators thinks it proper & Reasonable

From your Committee this 18 day 2 mo 1771

Wm Anthony Jr   Caleb Russell
Barzillai Tucker   Joseph [illegible]

The said Allen refusing to comply with said Judgment Therefore this meeting do appoint Abraham Tucker Joseph Tucker and John Potter to Labour with said Allen to Comply therewith as they may find freedom and to make Report to the next Monthly meeting.

Prince Allen
[illegible]

Prince Allen hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his saying that, If [illegible] had got such a Receipt as he said he had he made it, which paper hath been Read and Considered in this meeting and accepted.

Samuel Smith, Job Russell, Wm Anthony jr John Potter and Thos Hicks are appointed to Review this Meetings Minutes to see what part they may think proper to go on Record, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The overseers have Exhibited a Complaint against David Gifford Junr as Charged on oath by Meribah Hammond accused of being the father of her Child, and also for denying a matter of fact between himself & Jabez Hammond for which they have Laboured with him, and he declines to Condemn his offence, Therefore this Meeting do appoint Abraham Tucker and Paul Russell to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

3d mo 1771. At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 3d month 1771. The Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Wm Anthony Jur both present.

The Treasurer Reports that he has paid John Sampson 4-2-8 Old Tenor According to Appointment.

The Committee appointed to Labour with Jedidiah Allen to Comply with the Judgment of this meeting in the case of his Brother Wing Allen Reports that the Said Allen still Refuses to Comply with the afore Sd Judgment, therefore they are still Continued in the same Service and to make Report to the next Monthly meeting.

Anna Smith recd from Nantucket. Anna Smith hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Nantucket which hath been Read and Accepted.

The Committee appointed to Review this meetings Minutes to see what part they may think proper to be Recorded, Report they have fulfilled their Appointment and Humphry Smith is directed to Record them.

The Greatest part of the Committee Appointed to Enquire into the Complaint of Benjn Thos and Peleg Shearman Against Humphry Smith Report as followeth which is Accepted.

According to appointment we had Humphry Smith & the Shearmans together to Inspect into the Controversy Depending between them and have to Inform that firstly Sd Smith Desired a Coppy which had been Refused and by Inquiring we found that before they Entered their Complaint to the meeting one of the Shearmans taking a friend with him went to Sd Smith with Thos Shearman on the affair which appeared to us according to good order. Then Sd Smith Demanded a Coppy of the Complaint which after Consideration we thought best for him not to have without he would promise to make no use thereof in the Law, which promise he Refused. Then we offered that a friend should wait with him as long as he thought Proper, to peruse and Consider the Complaint and he might call in friends to advise with but not Suffer any Coppy to be taken and then Give us an Answer, which offer Sd Smith Refused Complying with. Then we desired Said Smith to Give us some reasons why he Refused to Leave the affair to men, as he declined giving us any, for we found the Shearmans would Leave it to men by them Equally Chosen or the meeting might Choose them, and they would be bound to abide Judgment, and the Shearmans Say there is a Number of Judicious Neighbours are Ready to Say that Smith's Evidence in Court Contradicts the known matter of fact, but yet they offer to Settle the whole affair by friends as aforesaid, and we have made Much Inquiry in Regard to its touching Titles of Land and find that Said Smiths and Shearmans written Titles Jointly Concur, and the dispute is only in Settling the Line, and our Judgment is that where friends hold Land under Vouchers, not to Compel them to Leave to Arbitration; but in this Controversy we find that the Shearmans are willing that a Number of Surveyors Should take Said Smiths Deed and by the Return thereon Run the

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Sine as they shall think just & right, and they will be bound to abide by the same which Appears to us that the the Premium [illegible] contended for no Land that Ja Smith did [illegible] under a voucher, therefore our Judgment is that Ja Smith ought to [illegible] [illegible] or render sufficient [illegible], which he declines.

from your Committee the 18th the 3d month 1771.

Joseph Barker
Job Case
Gideon Howland
Wm Anthony jur
Barzillai Tucker.

This Meeting doth Appoint Joseph Tucker & Barzillai Tucker to Inform said Smith of the Judgment of this meeting and to Labour as they may find a freedom, and make Report to the Adjournment.

The Committee Appointed to Labour with David Gifford Report they have discharged themselves in Labouring with said Gifford and he gave them no Satisfaction therefore this meeting being Clear of any farther Labour with him do Appoint Wm. Barker & Barzillai Tucker to draft a paper of denial against him and also inform him of their Appointment and make Return to the next monthly meeting.

The friends Appointed to have the care of the Meetings in Allen's & Smith's Necks Report that they attended the Respective Meetings which were held orderly & to Satisfaction.

The overseers have Exhibited a complaint against Jabez Barker jur for Suffering two of his children to be married in his house the worlds way, for which they have Laboured with him and he declines to condemn his disorder Therefore this Meeting do appoint Barnabas Mosher & Thos Hicks to Labour with him as they may find freedom and to make Report to the next monthly meeting.

The overseers likewise Inform That Philip Trueman hath married Contrary to Good Order for which they timely Cautioned & advised him, Therefore this Meeting do appoint Wm Sanford & Job Russell to Labour with him as they may find freedom and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting. They also Inform that Abraham Ricketson hath been in the Practice of Running horses, for which they have Laboured with him, and he declines to Condemn his offence, therefore This Meeting doth Appoint Thos Hicks & Phillip Allen to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the next monthly meeting.

This Meeting hath Collected in old tenor £6-5^s-10^d.

This Meeting Adjourns to the 27th Instant after the meeting for worship.

This meeting being Met according to adjournment the 27th the 3d mo 1771. The Representatives being Called both Present.

The Queries have been Read & Answered

3d mo. 1771. in this meeting

This meeting taking into consideration the Practice of [illegible] in going out of the order of friends in marriage, it is therefore recommended to the Quarterly Meeting for advice whether it may not be sufficient in that Case for Sending or Visiting to [illegible] them [illegible] for the meeting to proceed to disown them if they persist in their disorder without any further Labour with them.

Appeal of Humphry Smith Granted

The friends Appointed to Inform Humphry Smith of the Judgment of this Meeting, Report that they have fulfilled their Appointment and Laboured with him to Comply with sd Judgment, which he declines, and Requests an Appeal to the Quarterly Meeting which is Granted. Paul Russell Wm Anthony jur and Caleb Russell are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries, and they to Represent Humphry Smith's appeal, and to produce such papers and minutes as shall appear necessary in that Case and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting. The above said Epistle was signed in this meeting by the Clerk.

4th mo. 1771. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th 4th mo 1771, The Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Samuel Smith, both present.

Jona Tucker and Mehitable Mosher intentions

Jonathan Tucker and Mehitable Mosher declared their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and Joseph Gifford & Barzillai Tucker are appointed to Inquire into the young man's clearness respecting Marriage and conversation and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

One of the Committee that have the care of Jedidiah Allen's case Reports that he still declines to Comply with the Judgment of this Meeting, therefore this Meeting believing that we are Clear of any further Labour with him, and do appoint Nicholas Howland and Wm Anthony jur to draft a paper of denial against sd Allen and to inform him of their appointment and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed to draft a paper of denial against David Gifford jur have drafted & brought a paper to this Meeting which hath been signed by the clerk, and he is appointed to read said paper at the close of a first day meeting for worship before the next Monthly Meeting & then to make Report. And Joseph Tucker is appointed to serve sd Gifford with a Coppy of his denial, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed to Labour with Philip Sherman report that they have not had an opportunity to Labour with him both together, therefore the matter is referred under their care until the next Monthly Meeting, and then to make Report.

The Committee appointed to Labour with Abraham Nickelson Report that they have not had an Opportunity

4th mo 1771. fully to discharge themselves therein the matter is Referred under their care one month longer, and then to make Report.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report they all attended according to Appointment and have produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been Read, and the Contents are Recommended to friends Notice & Observation and Samuel Smith & Wm Anthony jur are appointed to Inform Humphry Smith of the above Contents Respecting his Request or appeal to sd Meeting & give him a Coppy of ye Same if he Complys with sd Epistle.

The Comttee appointed to Labour with Jabez Barker jur Report that they have Laboured with him, and he declines to Condemn his fault to their Satisfaction, therefore the matter is Referred under their care one month longer and then to make Report.

The said Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting informs us that their Comttee appointed to view our Meeting House made the following Report which was accepted by sd Quarterly Meeting

To the Quarterly Meeting of friends to be held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island.

We the Subscribers Agreeable to the appointment of the Quarterly Meeting having Viewed and Examined the Meeting house at Aponegansett there being a Number of friends belonging to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting then present and it is our Judgment that it will be best to Repair it

Notwithstanding we think it would be well for the Quarterly Meeting to leave them at their Liberty to Rebuild if they should Still continue to prefer it, and if Rebuilt we think a house of the following dimentions would be Sufficient (viz) Sixty feet in Length, and thirty five in width and twenty feet posts Dartmouth 15th the 1st mo 1771.

Abraham Barker
Moses Farnum Jacob Mott Jur
Thos Gould Jur Wm Redwood.

And our Representatives from the Quarterly Meeting Inform us Verbally that the sd Meeting Concluded to leave it at the discression of the Monthly Meeting in regard to disowning of persons that Marry out of the unity of friends without dealing with them after they have been Pre-cautioned before marriage.

One of the overseers Informs that Stephen Merihew has Married out of the unity of friends, and that he hath Laboured with him therefor, and he declines to condemn his offence, therefore This meeting doth appoint Caleb Russell & James Davis to Labour with him as they may find freedom and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

5th mo 1771. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 5th month 1771. The Representatives are Samuel Smith and Wm Anthony jur both present.

5th mo 1771. The friends appointed to Enquire into Jonathan Tucker's Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation, Report that they have made Enquiry & do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage. and the sd Jonathan Tucker appeared for their Answer which was that they Might proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time before next Monthly Meeting advising with the overseers that this meeting hath appointed for that purpose, and Joseph Gifford & [illegible] Tucker are appointed to see their Marriage Consummated in Good order & make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed to draft a paper of denial against [illegible] allen Report they have not it, and they have Rendered a Reason for their Omission. Therefore the matter is Refer'd under their care until next Monthly Meeting, and they to draft it [illegible] if they think necessary and then to make Report.

Joseph Tucker Reports that he hath served David Gifford jur with a Coppy of his Denial, and also his denial hath been read According to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting and is as followeth:

From our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth ye 15th of the 4th month 1771.

David Gifford Jr denied. Whereas David Gifford jur having had his Education Amongst friends, but by not Giving heed to that Warning Voice & Teacher the Spirit of Truth in his own heart hath so far deviated from our Christian Profession that he hath been Accused and Charged on oath by [illegible] Hammond [illegible] of being the father of her Child & also [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] Hammond, for which offence friends having Laboured with him in order to bring him to a True Sense of his Transgressions, but their Labour of Love in that respect proving ineffectual, he not condemning the same to friends Satisfaction, Therefore for the Clearing of Truth & our Christian profession from such Reproaches, we can do no less than Testify against him, & do hereby disown him the sd David Gifford from being one in unity with us, and under our care. Notwithstanding desiring if it be Consistent with divine pleasure that he yet may be brought to a true sight & sense of his offences & through a true and unfeigned Repentance and Reformation witness his peace made with the Lord, and thereby be restored to the unity of his friends.

Signed in & on behalf of said Meeting by
Job Russell Clerk.

Philip Shearman denied. The friends appointed to Labour with Philip Shearman report that they have Laboured with him, and he declines to Condemn his offence to their Satisfaction. Therefore this Meeting being Clear of any farther Labour with him do deny the sd Philip Shearman from being a member of our Society, and from under the Care of this Meeting, and Wm Sanford is appointed to Inform him of his denial & make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

5th Mo 1771. The friends that have the care of Abraham Ricketson Report that they have had no opportunity to Treat with him by reason that he is gone to Sea therefore the matter is still Referred under their care, and they to make Report as soon as they can with conveniency.

Jabez Barker jur disowned — The friends appointed to labour with Jabez Barker jur Report they have acquitted themselves in Labouring with him, and he Refusing to Condemn his offences to their satisfaction, Therefore this Meeting being clear of any further labour with him do deny the sd Jabez Barker jur from being a member of our Society, & from under the care of this Meeting, and Peleg Gifford is appointed to inform him of his denial and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The friends Appointed to Treat with Stephen [illegible] Reports That he hath Condemned his offence to their satisfaction, and he hath also appeared in this Meeting & verbally Condemned the same which is accepted.

Elizabeth Shepherd recd from R I Mo M — Elizabeth Shepherd wife of David hath produced a Removal Certificate from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting which is Accepted, and also the women friends Inform that [illegible] Winslow hath Given in a paper Condemning her falling into the sin of fornication which they have accepted and this Meeting Concurs therewith.

6th Mo 1771. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th 6th month 1771. The Representatives are Jonathan Hussey and Thos Hicks both present. Whereas our Yearly Meeting is now in being at Rhode Island, Therefore this Meeting doth Adjourn to the 24th Instant at the 11th hour in the Morning.

At a Monthly Meeting held by Adjournment the 24th 6th month 1771. The Representatives being called both present.

The friends that were appointed some months past to draw a paper of denial against Jedediah Allen Report that they have still omitted it for the same reasons as heretofore therefore they are still continued in that service & to make Report next monthly Meeting.

One of the friends that was appointed to see Jonathan Tucker and Mehitabel Mosher's Marriage Consummated in good order Reports That he attended said Marriage, and that it was Consummated orderly. The other friend Reports that he did not attend, and he has Rendered an excuse for his omission.

William Sanford Reports That he hath informed Philip Sherman of his denial, and Peleg Gifford also Informs That he hath Informed Jabez Barker jur of his denial According to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting.

The Queries have been Read &, Answered in This meeting.

Henry Chase hath Visited this meeting with a few Lines from the Mothly meeting of oblong dated the 5th month

6th mo 1771 — 1771 Certifying him to be of an orderly Conversation & an approved minister in unity which hath been read to Satisfaction & his visit
Visit of [illegible] Chase and Joshua [illegible]. — kindly accepted.

Our friend Joshua Evans hath visited this meeting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting held at Haddonfield in New Jersey the 2nd 5th month 1771. Certifying him to be in Good unity as an Elder which hath been read to satisfaction & his visit kindly accepted.

The overseers have Introduced a Complaint into the meeting signed by George Winslow Against Joseph Rotch for Refusing to Comply with the Judgment of the Arbitrators that were Mutually chosen between them therefore this Meeting do Appoint Joseph [illegible] Wm Anthony jr, Barzillai Tucker, Prince Allen, Thos Hicks, Joseph Tucker & Gideon Freeborn into the grounds & validity of sd Complaint & make Report to the adjournment of this meeting.

Anne Sherman disowned — The women friends inform that they have denied Anne Sherman wife of Philip Sherman for marrying out of the unity of friends which this meeting concurs with.

Visit of Joseph Oxley — Our Esteemed Friend Joseph Oxley hath visited this Meeting with his Certificate from the Monthly Meeting in Norwich England bearing date the 23d 3d month 1770 with Concurring Certificate from the Quarterly Meeting held in Norwich for the County of Norfolk the 28th 3d month 1770, and from the yearly meeting of Ministers held ye 11th of the 6th month 1770, Certifying from whence he came that they had Good unity with his Concern, and also his Publick and Private Character, and his Ministry Sound & Living, which have been read in this meeting to Good Satisfaction and his visit kindly accepted.

This meeting hath Collected £8-18-2d, old Tenor, and the Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell two dollars for Keeping the meeting house half a year and make Report to the next Monthly meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the first Sixth day in next month after the Meeting of worship.

At a monthly meeting held by adjournment the 4th 7th mo 1771, The Representatives being called both present.

The Committee appointed to inquire into the Complaint of George Winslow Against Joseph Rotch, report said Rotch hath Complyed to fulfill the Judgment of the Arbitrators.

Appeal of Jabez Barker jr — Jabez Barker jr requests an appeal from the Judgment of this meeting to the Quarterly Meeting which is granted.

Samuel Smith, Wm Anthony jr, Barzillai Tucker, Jonathan Hussey are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Convey the Epistle with the answers to the Queries and present the business from this meeting to the Quarterly Meeting and make Report to the next monthly meeting. The above sd Epistle was signed in this Meeting.

6th mo 1771 Whereas Benja Shearman hath Neglected to attend Religious meetings both for worship & discipline for some years past and now Refuses to condemn the Same, therefore this Meeting do appoint John Potter, Job Russell, Gideon Howland, Thos Hicks & Barzillai Tucker to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and make Report to the next monthly meeting.

7th mo. 1771. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th 7th mo 1771, The Representatives are Wm Anthony jr & Benja Howland 2d Jn Howland not being present by reason of his wife being not well.

The friends appointed to draft a paper of denial against Jedediah Allen Report that have not done it by Reason that Some of the Arbitrators are not fully Satisfied in their Settlement between sd parties, therefore the Meeting do appoint Caleb Russell, Joseph Barker Wm Anthony jr Barzillai Tucker Thos Hicks to Treat with Coakset Monthly meeting and Request said Meeting to appoint a Comtee to assist to bring sd parties (as some of them belong there) to a Rehearing, and to make Report as soon as they can conveniently.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to appointment and they have Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been Read and Kindly accepted, and likewise the London Printed Epistle for the year 1770 hath been Read to Good Satisfaction, and the Contents earnestly Recommended to friends Notice & Observation.

The friends appointed to Labour with Benja Shearman for his neglect of attending Religious Meetings Report they have not all of them had an opportunity to discharge themselves in that Respect therefore they are still Continued in that Service, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Appeal of Humphry Smith is Returned to this meeting again in order for him to Render his Reasons for not Referring his Controversy to Arbitration if he still declines the Same, therefore do appoint Wm Mosher Caleb Russell, Job Russell, Wm Sanford, and Adam Gifford to hear the Reasons and Judge whether they be Sufficient or not, and to make Report to the next Monthly meeting.

[illegible] and Job Russell are appointed to Serve Jabez Barker jr with a Coppy of his denial and Accusation and to make Report next Monthly meeting.

The Quarterly Requests of this meeting to Collect four pounds Sterling, and Send it up to the next Quarterly meeting for the Supply of the Stock in the yearly meeting of London.

The time being Expired that the overseers were appointed in their Service, therefore they are Continued in that Service one month Longer.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid

7th mo 1771. Timothy Russell is [illegible] for keeping the meeting house one half a year as appointed by Last Monthly Meeting.

Thos Smith & family rec'd from [illegible] Thos Smith and family have Removed into the Compass of this meeting to Live and have Produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket which hath been read & Accepted.

8th mo 1771. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th 8mo 1771. The Representatives are Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey both present.

The friends appointed to Labour with Benja Sherman for his Neglecting of Attending Religious meetings, Report that they have Labour'd with him and he Declining to condemn his Disorder to their Satisfaction which is Referred to the Next monthly meeting for further Consideration.

The friends appointed to Give Jabez Barker jnr with a Coppy of his Declaration of Denial Report yt they have answered their appointment.

The Committee appointed to Treat with Humphry Smith and hear his Reasons on account of his appeals being Returned back from the Quarterly meeting Report as follows

Jacob Chase returned his certificate [illegible] Whereas Jacob Chase had a Removal Certificate to Rhod Island, Monthly Meeting and now he hath Removed back again within the Compass of this meeting much sooner than he Expected and Returned said Certificate, which we Except.

Appointment of [illegible] Daniel Cornel [illegible] Barker William Barker, Jonathan Hussey, William Anthony jnr & Thos Hicks are appointed Overseers for the year Ensuing.

Caleb Russell, Barzillai Tucker, Joseph Tucker, Abraham Howland & Philip Allen are appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year Ensuing.

9th mo 1771. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 16th 9mo 1771 the Representatives are William Anthony jnr & Thos Hicks Present.

The matter concerning Benja Sherman is Referred to next Monthly Meeting for further Consideration.

The Committee appointed to Give Humphry Smith with a Coppy of the Judgment of this meeting and Labour with him to Comply therewith Report that they have answered their appointment, and said Smith Declining to Comply therewith; Therefore this meeting doth appoint Benja Smith jnr and Abraham Howland to Inform said Smith if he Dont Comply with the Judgment of this meeting he may Expect to be Denied and make Report to next meeting.

9 mo. 1771. This Meeting Comes to a Conclusion to Repair our Meeting house in Ponegansett and do appoint John Potter Thos Hicks and William Anthony junr to Shingle sd House and Repair it as they think Proper and they are Desired to Accomplish said Business as soon as may bee and then to make Report to this meeting.

The Queries hath been Read & Answered in this Meeting. This Meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and appoint Joseph Tucker William Anthony jur William Prosser and Job Russell to Attend the Quarterly meeting and to present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries & Represent the Business of this meeting & make Report to the next monthly Meeting.

This meeting hath [illegible] [illegible] pounds five Shillings Lawfull money and sent up by our Representatives.

The Overseers hath Exhibited a Complaint against Abraham Sherman for taking too much Spiritous Licker for which they have Laboured with him and he Still Persists therein, therefore this meeting doth appoint William [illegible] & Job Russell to Labour with him as they may find freedom & make Report to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed from this monthly meeting & [illegible] meeting to Enquire into the Controversy Subsisting between the heirs of Jedediah Howe report as followeth.

According to the appointment of the monthly meeting to which we belong, We having inspected into the Reasons why one of the heirs of Jedediah Howe refuses to comply with the Judgment of the Arbitrators which was mutually Chosen by them as appears by Articles of agreement under their hands, And have to inform as followeth.

That we had the Said heirs & Arbitrators together, in order to Enquire into all Circumstances Relating thereto and find there is Some things brought to view that was not laid before sd Arbitrators to Judg upon altho the agreement Expresses the Same Which Since appearing to some of sd Arbitrators gave them some Uneasiness therein, & we by Inspection finding those things not Considered nor Judg'd upon, we give this forth as our advice and Judgment that if said Parties doth not Settle those matters & things between themselves, then they Lay all those things & matters not Considered, befor said Arbitrators, in order that the same may be fully Completed and Settled as they shall think Just & Right and also Rectify what they formerly Judg'd upon if they Shall find it Necessary.

Given forth this 26th Day of 8 mo 1771 by your friends.

Thos. Hicks David Davol
Wm Anthony Jur Joshua Davol
Barzillai Tucker Joseph Barker

The above Report being Accepted.

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At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 21st 10 mo 1771 The Representatives are John Russell & Jonathan Hussey both present. The matter concerning Jon^a [illegible] is referred to next monthly meeting for further Consideration,

Removal cert for Ed^d Potter to Nine Partners. Martha Tober to Sandwich.

This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for Edward Potter wife & Benj^a Potter to the monthly meeting of the Nine Partners in the Province of New York, and also Signed a Removal Certificate for Martha Tober to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich.

Joseph Rotch Jur hath Returned from London and hath produced a Certificate from the two weeks meeting held in London ye 10th 6 mo 1771 which hath been Read to ye Satisfaction of this meeting.

Appeal of Humphry Smith

The friends appointed to inform Humphry Smith of the Judgment of the last monthly meeting & also to inform him of his Conduct [illegible] as may appear to be [illegible], Report that they have answered their appointment and said Humphry [illegible] an appeal from the afore said Judgment to the Quarterly meeting which this meeting grants.

The friends appointed to labour with Jonathan Freeman Report that they have had an opportunity with him [illegible] and that they [illegible] no satisfaction. Therefore the matter is again under the Care of the afore s^d friends & they to make Report to the next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended according to appointment and have produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read to good satisfaction also Received two Transcripts of Yearly meet^g Epistles one from the Yearly meeting held in Philadelphia for Pennsylvania & New Jersey by adjournments from the 22nd of 9 mo 1770 to the 28th of the same inclusive.

The other from the yearly meeting held in Newport on Rhode Island by adjournments from the 14th 6 mo 1771 to ye 17th of the same Inclusive which hath been read to good satisfaction and the Contents thereof are Earnestly Recommended to friends Observation.

Rhoda Mitchell & Mary Spencer recd from N. Tuck.

The Womens meeting inform they have Received two Removal Certificates from the monthly meeting of Nantucket one for Rhoda Mitchel wife of [illegible] Mitchel — The other for Mary Spencer which this meeting Excepts.

Tab^a Allen disowned.

The Womens meeting Inform that they have Disowned Tabitha Allen wife of John Allen for marrying out of the unity of friends which this meeting Concurs with.

Jabez Barker restored to membership

Whereas Jabez Barker Junr hath been Denied some months past for suffering one of his Children to be married in his house and now the said Barker appearing in this meeting and verbally desired friends of this meeting to pass it by. And after a space of Silence this meeting finds freedom to pass by his afore said fault, and to Receive him under friends Care again.

The friends that was appointed some

10 mo, 1771 time past to [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] on the account of his marrying [illegible] now Report that he gave them no Satisfaction and they also Report that he hath fallen into the Sin of Fornication as appears by his wives having a Child so soon after Marriage, therefore this Meeting do appoint [illegible] [illegible] & Samuel Smith to Labour further with him and make Report to the next monthly meeting.

[illegible] Allen Barzillai Tucker, [illegible] Joseph Barker Gideon Howland and William Anthony [illegible] are appointed to have the oversight of the Lofts of the House at our Ensuing Yearly Meeting, to Endeavour to Prevent any Disorderly Behaviour that may be liable to happen at that time and to make Report to the next monthly meeting.

The Overseers hath brought a Complaint against Benj^n Howland [illegible] for abusing Benj^n Smith in [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] and Cutting Down his [illegible] and also [illegible] Howland's [illegible] Trespassing [illegible] for which Disorder the Overseers hath Laboured with him for and he Refuses to Endeavour to settle it to their Satisfaction therefore this Meeting doth appoint Joseph Barker & W^m Anthony to Labour with him & to Judge & Determine and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

11 mo. 1771. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th D. of ye 11 mo 1771. The Representatives are Caleb Russell and Jonathan Hussey both present.

The friends appointed to Labour with Barnabas Howland Jun^r Report that they have Laboured with him and he refusing to Condemn his Disorder, therefore the above said friends are appointed to Draw a Paper of Denial against him and inform him of their appointment and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed to have the Oversight of the Lofts &c at our Yearly Meeting, Report that most of them attended the three Days and that the Youth behaved in a Degree orderly.

The friends Intrusted with the care of the case of Abraham Shearman Report that they have had no opportunity to discharge their trust therefore the Case is Refer'd as heretofore and to make Report to next meeting.

The friends appointed to Labour with Benj^n Howland and to Judge and Determine in a matter between B^n Howland and Benj^n Smith Report that they have made some progress but have not gone through, therefore they are Still Continued in the same service and to make Report to next meeting.

William Russell Requests to be under friends Care, therefore Caleb Russell & James Davis is appointed to Inquire into his Conversation & to take an Opportunity of Solid Conference with him in order to discover whether his motive is from the bottom of true Conviction and make Report to next meeting.

It hath been brought to this meeting

11 mo 1771. from the Preparative meeting whether it be consistent with friends discipline for a friend to sell in [illegible] of [illegible] which he had from a friend payable to him or his order therefore this meeting do appoint Samuel Smith Barzillai Tucker Wm Anthony & [illegible] Joseph [illegible] John Potter Jonathan Hussey to consider of the above sd matter and bring in their Judgment in [illegible] of this meeting and make Report to next meeting.

The Womens meeting inform that they have minuted the [illegible] of [illegible] daughter of [illegible] in [illegible] which this meeting concurs with.

Acoaksit monthly meeting Requests this meeting to appoint a Committee to Join them to Labour with the Heirs of Jeremiah & Elizabeth Wood to comply with the advice of the Committee which was appointed some months past. This meeting adjourns to the 27 day of this month after the meeting for Worship.

This meeting met according to adjournment 27 11 mo 1771 the representatives being called one present [illegible] not by reason of his being gone to Nantucket. This meeting appoints a Committee agreeable to the above said minute which are William Anthony jr Barzillai Tucker Job Russell and they to Labour and advise as they think best and make Report to the next Meeting.

Benja Sherman hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his Disorder in not attending meetings several years Past which is Referred to next meeting.

The Preparative meeting hath Exhibited a Complaint against Samuel Smith for Marrying out of the unity of friends for which they have timely Precautioned him and he Refused to condemn it therefore this meeting do appoint Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker to Labour with him as soon as they can Conveniently & make Report

The Friends in Allens Neck Request some assistance or advise in regard to their holding a meeting in said Neck they being under some difficulty in regard to a place to hold their meeting in. Therefore this meeting doth appoint John Potter William Anthony jr Wm Barker Caleb Russell to pay them a visit and consider whether it may be best for them to build a Meetinghouse or not and also to consider whether they continue to hold a Meeting there or not & make Report to next meeting.

Whereas Jabez Barker jr appeared in our monthly meeting of the tenth month past and made an Acknowledgement which was then accepted and he appearing in the monthly meeting held the 11 mo 1771 in the first Sitting of said meeting and would not own that what he had done in Regard to suffering his children to be married in his house was a Breach of order, which caused this meeting to be dissatisfied with his sd Acknowledgment, therefore this meeting do appoint Samuel Smith Barzillai Tucker Prince Allen to Labour with him in order to show him his mistake and make Report to next meeting.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 16 of 12 mo 1771 the Representatives are Wm Anthony jun and Saml Smith both Present. This meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial against Barnabus Howland Junr for the sin of fornication and the Clerk is appointed to Read said paper at the close of a First day meeting for Worship before the next Monthly meeting and at said meeting to make Report of the same.

The friends that had the care of the Case of Abraham Sherman Report that they desire one month longer time which is granted them and then they to make Report.

The friends that was appointed to joine Acoakset monthly meetings Committee to labour & Advise with the [illegible] of Jediah Wood Report that they have joined sd Committee and bestowed Some labour and advice, And the matter Remains unsettled.

The Committee appointed to Labour with Benjn Howland Sadler and to Judge & Determine a matter between said Howland and Benjn Smith Report as followeth,

which is accepted & sd Howland hath made an Acknowledgement to this meeting which is Excepted.

The friends appointed to treat with Wm Russell on account of his Request Report that they have Discharged themselves in that Respect, And that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction, therefore it was Referred to the adjournment.

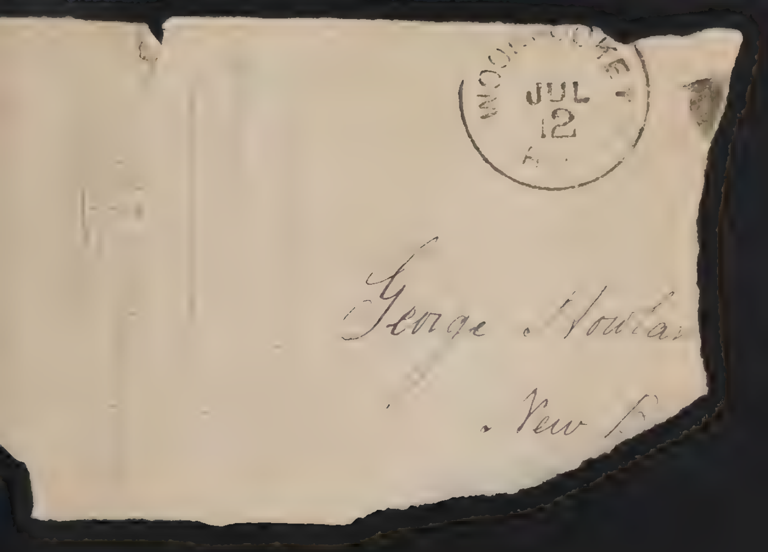
The Committee appointed to consider on Account of the Friends Request at Allens Neck to build a Meeting house there and also to hold a meeting there this winter, Report that they think best not to build a meeting house there at Present but in Regard to holding a meeting they think it may be well with the Proviso that they can accomadate themselves with a House Suitable - therefore their Request is Granted in Regard to holding a meeting as usual and Daniel Cornel & Philip Allen is appointed to See the meeting held agreeable to Good order and to make Report to next third month.

[illegible] The Women friends informe this meeting that they have minuted Welthan Spencer a member under their care which this meeting Concurs with. This meeting adjourns to the 25 Instant after the meeting of worship.

This meeting meet by Adjournment the 25th of 12mo 1771, the Representatives both Present. Samuel Smith is Chosen Clerk for this day. William Russell is Received under the Care of this meeting.

[illegible] Russell rec'd

The friends appointed to Judge and



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12 mo. 1771 Committee respecting the Selling Notes of hand Report as followeth, which is Excepted.

According to the Appointment of the monthly meeting we have met and Considered the matter of Respecting friends Selling of notes of hand payable to them or their order, and as on the one hand we do not think it Reasonable to prohibit friends from selling all or any kind of such Securities in a way of Just Commerce, so on the other hand we think it not Consistant with the Discipline of friends for any friend to sell such a note to an Atorney or any Else that he hath on a friend with Intention for the said friend to be prosecuted in the Law, of which said Intention the Circumstances of such particular Cases (if any such happen) will sufficiently Demonstrate and friends and the monthly meeting are the [illegible] thereof according as the wisdom of truth shall Direct

Given forth and Dated this 23 day of the 12 mo 1771,
by Jonathan Hussey William Anthony jun
Joseph Gifford Samuel Smith
John Potter Barzillai Tucker

The Committee appointed to give Coakset Committee in Labouring with the heirs of Jedidiah & Keziah Wood are continued and to make report as soon as Conveniency will admit.

Benja Sherman hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his Declining to attend meetings also his pretending to prophecy which this meeting Accepts, provided he Cause said paper to be Read publickly at the close of a first Day meeting for worship at any Convenient time before the next Monthly Meeting he being Present; said paper is as followeth;

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be held in Dartmouth the 16th of 12 mo 1771

Benj Sherman

Dear Friends whereas I have been Mislead through Imagination so far as not to attend Religious meetings for some years past which is Contrary to the good Order of friends, and also in Pretending to Prophecy or foretell future things all which I am fully persuaded was wrong and I am heartily sorry for and do Condemn and desire friends would pass it by with all the rest of my outgoings so far as to let me Remain under their Care.

from your friend

Benjamin Sherman.

The friends Appointed to Labour with Jabez Barker make Report as followeth which is Excepted.

According to appointment of last monthly meeting we have Discoursed with Jabez Barker on the account of his allowing his Daughters to be married in his house and have had a long Conference with him on that subject, Endeavoring (according to our Abilities) to Convince him of his Error therein. We likewise shewed him a Copy of part of a minute made in our Yearly meeting in the year 1708, which we think is very Clear against such Conduct as his yet he would by no means Condemn

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the same nor yet own that he had broken any order of Friends but used many words tending to justifie himself therein.

Given forth this 16th of ye 12 mo 1771 by your friends
Saml Smith
Prince Allen
Barzillai Tucker.

And the matter is Referred to the next monthly meeting and the same Committee are still continued in the same service and Abraham Tucker & Caleb Russell are added to them & they to make Report to the next meeting.

Barnabus Russell hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his marrying in a [illegible] way which is accepted Provided he Cause the same to be Read Publickly at the Close of a first day meeting for worship between this & the next monthly meeting he being Present and Return the paper to next meeting.

Barnabus Russell Proposes his Intention of Marriage with Anna [illegible] at the Preparative meeting but he having fallen into the above said disorder it is Referred to the next Monthly meeting.

The friends at [illegible] Request this meeting to Consider whether it may not be needful to build a meeting House in or near said place here for this meeting do appoint Abraham Tucker Wm Sanford Wm Mosher Barzillai Tucker Saml Smith Prince Allen Jonathan Hussey to Consider of said matter and bring in their Judgment to the meeting as soon as they can conveniently.

Gideon Howland hath given in a paper Condemning his unbecoming Expressions & falling into a bodily Strife with Zephaniah Anthony which this meeting accepts Provided he Cause the same to be Read Publickly as Usual and Return the same to next meeting.

The Queries have been Read and Answered and the answers approved likewise an Epistle prepared and signed all which are sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our representatives who are Caleb Russell Wm Mosher Jos Russell & Wm Anthony to make Report of their doings to next monthly meeting.

[illegible]

Wm Williams hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Sandwich, Certifying him to be in unity with friends and his outward affairs settled to satisfaction which is Accepted.

The friends appointed to Repair the meeting house have given in their bill which is £10..14..6d Lawful money.

This meeting hath collected £5..2s..10d old tenor and the Collection is Referred to next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell five dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year.

1 mo. 1772 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 20th 1 mo 1772 the Representatives are William Mosher & Barzillai Tucker both present, the Clerk reports that Barnabas Howlands Paper of Denial hath been Read according to the appointment of Last monthly meeting.

Barnabas Howland denied.

The matter Concerning Abraham Sherman is Referred under the Same Care as heretofore and Barzillai Tucker and William Mosher and Isaac Smith are added to the former Committee to Labour with said Sherman and make Report to next monthly meeting.

Benj^a Sherman paper hath been read and Returned to this meeting according to appointment of Last monthly meeting. Barnabas Howlands paper hath been read and Returned to this meeting as Ordered.

The Committee appointed to Treat with [illegible] Jun^r Report that they have had no opportunity to Discharge themselves in that Respect Therefore they are Still Continued in that Service and to make Report to next monthly meeting.

Gideon Howlands Paper hath been Read and Returned to this meeting as ordered, and is as followeth,

Gideon Howland acknowledgement.

To the Monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth the 16th of the 12 mo 1771.

Beloved friends whereas I [illegible] got into a Passion and Uttered Some unbecoming Expressions and [illegible] with Ephraim Anthony [illegible] I am heartily sorry for and do condemn, and desire friends would pass by my offence and let me remain under their care hoping through Divine assistance [illegible] for the time to come

from your friend

Gideon Howland.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended [illegible] and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read to good Satisfaction and the Contents are Earnestly Recommended to friends notice and Observation. Jonathan Hussey and William Jackson are appointed to take the Epistle of Last Quarter and Show that Paragraph to Humphrey Smith and Benj^a [illegible] that Respects the appeal of In^a Smith from this meeting to the Quarterly. And the above Said friends are Desired to advise the above said friends to comply therewith and to make Report to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] informs this meeting that he hath paid W^m [illegible] in order to [illegible] yearly meeting Stock in London [illegible] woods Receipt for the Same.

This meeting adjourns to the 29th Instant after the meeting for Worship.

This Meeting meet according to adjournment the 29th 1mo 1772 the Representatives both Present.

Jonathan Russell & Wife of [illegible]

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Gave their Consent in Writing to this meeting that their Son Wm-
Russell Shall Proceed in Marriage with Weltham Spencer.

William Russell and Weltham Spencer
Declared their Intentions of marriage at this meeting and were desired
to wait untill next monthly meeting for their answer.

William
Russell &
Weltham
Spencer
intention.

Barnabus Russell and Anna Howland
declared their Intentions of marriage and were desired to wait
untill next monthly meeting for their Answer. and Wm [illegible]
and Job Russell is appointed to make Inquiry Respecting marriage
and Conversation and make Report to next meeting.

Bill of Ban-
[illegible] Russell's
[illegible]

The Treasurer reports that he hath
paid Timothy Russell five Dollars for keeping the meeting house one year

Caleb Russell & Jonny Davis is appoint-
ed to Inspect into the Accounts of the Committee that was to Repair
our meeting house and make Report to next monthly meeting.

John Allen Requests a Certificate to
the monthly meeting of Sandwich Certifying his Clearness Re-
specting marriage & Conversation therefore Prince Allen & Barzillai
Tucker are appointed to make inquiry into his Clearness and
Conversation and draught a Certificate for him if they find
things clear and make Report to the next meeting.

This Meeting is informed that Daniel
Smith hath abused a Transient man named [illegible] with
blows for which disorder he hath been Laboured with and declines
to condemn it therefore Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker are
appointed to Labour with him and make Report to next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting is also informed that
[illegible] hath fallen into the Sin of fornication as ap-
pears by his wifes having a Child so soon after marriage for
which disorder he hath been Laboured with & he Declines and
declines condemning it therefore Caleb Russell and Joseph Tucker
and Job Russell are appointed to Labour with him and make
Report to next monthly meeting.

This meeting is informed that Abner
Russell hath been Accused on Oath of being guilty of Fornication
for which disorder the overseers hath Laboured with him and he
declines to condemn it therefore Wm Sanford and Barzillai Tucker
is appointed to Labour with sd Russell and Report to next monthly meeting.

Elihu Gifford and David Chase hath
given in papers to this meeting condemning their marrying out
of the Unity of friends which is Refer'd under the care of Caleb Russell
Job Russell and Barzillai Tucker and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

This Meeting is informed that there was
24 Pounds old tennor overplush money which was Rais'd to Recruite the
yearly meeting Stock in London said money is Lodg'd in Wm
Anthony Jr hands to pay to those that have Demands on the Committee
for Repairing the meeting house.

This meeting Collected £7,, 0,, 4d old tennor

The Overseers of the Poor hath given in
an account of Doing for Alice Smith £3,, 15s,, 0 old tennor and tho

treasurer is ordered to pay the money to John Potter and Report to next meeting.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th 2 mo 1772. The Representatives are Wm Mosher & Barzillai Tucker Present

Joseph Russell and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that their son should Proceed in marriage with Anna [illegible]

The friends appointed to Inquire into Wm Russells and Barnabus Russells Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation Report that they have made inquiry according to appointment and dont find any thing to hinder their Proceeding,

William Russell & Welthen Spencer and Barnabus Russell & Anna Howland appeared at this meeting for their Answer, which was that Each Couple might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting, advising with the overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that Purpose, and Caleb Russell & [illegible] are appointed to see William Russells and Welthen Spencers marriage Consummated in good order and make Report to next monthly meeting. and Jonathan Russell & Wm Russell are appointed to see Barnabus Russell and Anna Howlands marriage Consummated in good order and make Report to the next monthly meeting.

Caleb Russell and James Davis Report that they have inspected into the Committees Accounts that was appointed to Repair the Meeting House and find [illegible] to be Just, which this meeting approveth,

This meeting hath Signed a Certificate for John Allen to the monthly meeting of Sandwich Certifying his Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation.

Abraham [illegible] [illegible]

The friends appointed to Labour with Abraham Sherman Report that they have Treated with him [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Reforming from his Disorder in taking [illegible] Spirituous Liquors, therefore [illegible] committee is appointed to draw a paper of Denial against sd Sherman and to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and to Labour with him as they may [illegible] freedom and make Report to the next meeting.

The Committee appointed to Labour with [illegible] [illegible] Report That they have had no Opportunity to discharge themselves with him though they went to his house [illegible] find him at home therefore they are Still Continued in that Service & to make Report to next meeting.

The friends appointed to Inform Humphry Smith of the Judgment of the Quarterly meeting Respecting his appeal Report that they have fulfilled their appointment.

The friends appointed to Labour with Daniel Smith for his Disorder Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction and the sd Daniel Smith hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his Disorder which is Referred to next meeting under the Care of the aforesaid Committee and then they to make Report, 2 mo. 1772. The friends appointed to Labour Sheldon [illegible] Report that they have not had an opportunity to discharge themselves in that Respect therefore they are continued in that service and to make report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Labour with Abner Russell Report that they have not had an opportunity to treat with him therefore they are continued in said service and to make report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to have the care of the matter concerning Elihu Gifford and David Chase Report that they have Laboured with said Gifford for being in Company with some people that was Shooting Turkies at the time called Christmas and they have given in Paper condemning their marrying out of the unity of friends and David Chase is continued under the same friends.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid John Potter £3-15-0 Old tenor according to appointment.

David Allen hath given in a Paper to this meeting condemning his being in company with the People at the time called Christmas and shot a Goose for which he hath condemned in writing which is accepted.

Samuel Smith [illegible] Russell Wm Anthony jr Ed [illegible] are appointed to revise and correct this meeting minutes and papers in order to be recorded and make Report to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting being informed that there is a Report about Deborah Willbur is of such a Gross & Scandalous Nature that the women friends desire assistance from us therefore this meeting appoints [illegible] Russell Jona [illegible] and Prince Allen for that service.

3 mo 1772. At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th 3 mo 1772 the Representatives are Wm Barker & Samuel Smith both Present. This meeting adjourns to the Last fourth Day in this month it being the 25 Instant.

At a Monthly meeting met according to adjournment the 25th ye 3 mo 1772, the Representatives being Called both Present.

There was a Committee of the Quarterly meeting Requests this meeting to adjourn till the third day of next month which this meeting concurs with and doth adjourn to sd 3rd Day and to meet at the usual hour.

This meeting being meet by adjournment the 3rd of ye 4 mo 1772 the Representatives being called Wm Barker present, This meeting adjourns to the 4 Instant.

This meeting meet by adjournment the 4 day of ye 4 mo 1772 the Representatives being called are William Barker & Saml Smith both present.

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The friends appointed to see [illegible] Russells and Anna Hornans marriage Consommated Report that they both attended the marriage which was Consommated in a Degree orderly Except the young mans apparel.

This meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial against Abraham Sherman for a Disorder mentioned in the former minutes and the Clerk is appointed to Read said paper at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship and to make Report to next monthly meeting. (it is as follows.

Whereas Abraham Sherman Junior being under the Care of our said meeting, But he not giving heed to that Divine Power to rule the Spirit of Truth in his heart, has so far Deviated from our Christian profession as to be in the frequent practice of Drinking Spiritous Liquor in an Excessive manner, for which Transgression friends having from time to time in Love and tenderness Laboured with him in order thereby to be instrumental to Reclaim him from the Error of his ways, But their Labour of Love in that Respect not having its Desired effect therefore for the clearing of Truth and our Christian profession from such Reproachable practices we think we can do no Less than to Deny him, and do hereby Disown the said Abraham Sherman from being a member of our Society Nevertheless Desiring if it be Consistent with Divine Pleasure that he may through an unfeigned Repentance and Reformation may witness his peace to be made with the Lord.

Signed in and on behalf of said meeting by
[illegible]

The Committee appointed to Review and Correct the Monthly Meeting minutes and Papers Report, that they have fulfilled their appointment and have Left said minutes and papers with Samuel Smith to Record.

Zebulon Cornal Denial

The Greater part of the Committee appointed to Labour with Zebulon Cornal Report that they have Discharged themselves in Labouring with him, and now this meeting being Clear of any further Labour with the said Cornal have Concluded to Deny him and do appoint Samuel Smith to Draught a paper of Denial and bring it to next monthly meeting.

The Overseers hath hath handed a Complaint to this meeting against David Smith for Refusing to Submit a Controversy to Arbitration, Subsisting between himself and Abner Russell and Daniel Russell, and this meeting hath Given said David a Coppy of said Complaint agreeable to his Request and this meeting being Small by Reason of the Extremity of the weather, the appointing a Committee on that account is Referd to the Adjournment of this meeting.

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The Committee appointed to Labour with Jabez Barker jur Report as followeth, which is Excepted.

According to Appointment of Las monthly meeting we have Discorsed with Jabez Barker jr on the account of his suffering his Daughter to be married in his House and had a Long Conference with him on that Subject, Endeavouring (according to our Abilities) to Convince him of his Error therein, We likewise shewed him a Coppy of part of a minute made in our yearly Meeting in the year 1708, which we think is very Clear against such Conduct as his yet he would by no means Condemn the Same, nor yet own that he had brocken any Good order of friends but used many words tending to Justify himself therein.

Given forth this 16th of ye 12mo 1771 by your friends
Samuel Smith
Prince Allen
Barzillai Tucker

Jabez Barker Jr
[illegible]

And this meeting being Clear of further Labour with him do deny the said Jabez Barker from being a member of our Society & from under our Care & Paul Russell is to Inform him of his Denial & make Report to next monthly meeting.

The Queries hath been Read and Answered in this meeting.

This Meeting Adjourns to the Seventh Day of this Instant at the Eleventh hour in the forenoon.

This Meeting met according to Adjournment the 7 Day of 4 mo 1772. The Representatives being Called [illegible] Tucker and Samuel Smith Present.

The friends appointed to see Wm Russell & Freeman Spencer's marriage Consomated have not made any Report therefore Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker are appointed to call on them to know the Reason of their not making Report.

This Meeting has not had a Return respecting Daniel Smith it is Refered under the Same Care as heretofore and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Treat with David Chase Report that they hant had an Oppertunity since Last month therefore it is Refered under their Care and they to make Report to next meeting.

The friends appointed to Treat with Abner Russell Report that they hant had any Oppertunity with him therefore the matter is Refered under the Same Care as here-

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The Friends appointed to Visit those that [illegible] their Report therefore they are continued

According to the Referance of the former Sitting of this Meeting We appoint Joseph Tucker [illegible] Benjamin Howland 2d Barnabus Mosher to Inquire into the above Complaint Respecting David Smith and Labour as they may find Occation and make Report as soon as Conveniency will admitt.

Our Quarterly Collection is Refered to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] Informing this meeting [illegible] Samuel Smith & William Anthony Jr is appointed to make inquiry into his conversation and [illegible] as soon as they can

And [illegible] Informing this Meeting [illegible] for which he refuses to Condemn and Likewise this Meeting is Informed that the Same Smith has Practised [illegible] Ministerial [illegible] as is not Consistant with our Profession therefore this meeting Do appoint Samuel Smith & John Potter & Philip [illegible] to Labour with the said William Smith and make Report to next monthly meeting.

This Meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting to be held next at Portsmouth, and Joseph Tucker, [illegible] and Wm Anthony Jr are appointed to Attend the Above Said Meeting and to Present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries and to make Report next monthly meeting.

4 mo 1772. At a Monthly Meeting held in [illegible] 20: 4 mo 1772 the Representatives are [illegible] William Anthony Jr both Present. The Clerk Reports that he hath Read Abraham [illegible] Paper of Denial, as appointed by reason of his Wives request and said Clerk is still under appointment to Read said Paper at the Close of [illegible] meeting for Worship before next Monthly meeting and then make Report.

[illegible] Russell Reports that he hath Informed Jabez Barker Jr of his Denial according to the appointment of last monthly meeting.

This Meeting hath Signed a Paper of Denial against Zebulon Cornal for the Sin of Fornication and the Clerk is appointed to Read said Paper at the Close of a first Day meeting for Worship befor next monthly meeting and then make report.

Caleb Russell Reports the Reason that he and James Davis did not make Report at the Adjournment of said meeting of their attending of the Marriage of Wm Russell & Welthen Spencer was by reason of the Extremity of the weather, And they now have made Report that they attended said Marriage which was Consumated in tolerable Good order.

Daniel Smith ye 3d hath Given in a Paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into a bodily Strife with Michel

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Money within this meeting Concludes to Except with Proviso that he cause said paper to be Read at the close of a first Day meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting he being Present, and then return said paper to said meeting and make Report of its being Read.

The Friends appointed to Treat with David Chase report that they have had an opportunity to discharge themselves in that respect therefore they are still continued in the same service and to make Report as soon as they have an opportunity to discharge their trust,

The Friends appointed to Labour Wm Russell report that they have made some progress in that respect and desire the matter to be Refered which is Refered under their Care untill next monthly meeting and then to make Report.

This Meeting is Informed that Rachel Mathews is about to Remove within the Compass of [illegible] monthly meeting and Desires a Certificate therefore Joseph Tucker & Paul Russell & Wm Mosher are appointed to Joine the Women friends to make Inquiry into her Circumstances and Consider whether it may be best for her to Remove and if they think it Convenient to draught a Certificate for her and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to Labour with William Smith report that they have Laboured with him and he Condemned his taking too much Spirituous liquor therefore the matter is Refered under their Care untill they make Report when they have an opportunity fully to Discharge themselves in that respect.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all Attended according to appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read and kindly Accepted.

The Committee appointed to Consider about the Request of the Friends at Bedford building a Meeting house Report as followeth which is Accepted,

According to Appointment of the Monthly Meeting we have Conferred with the friends at Bedford and weightily Considered their Request in Regard to building a meeting house there, and altho we look favourably on their sd Request yet we think it would be better for them to make some Trial of holding a meeting in a Private House before they build a House for that purpose in order for some degree of Experiance of Keeping up their meeting in the authority of truth which would be a farther Satisfaction to us in that matter, we not being so fully Satisfied wholly to Grant their Request before some such Trial be made.

Given forth this 20th day of 4 mo 1772. by your friends

Jonathan Hussey Wm Sanford
Prince Allen Wm Mosher
Saml Smith Barzillai Tucker

This Meeting is Informed that friends at Philadelphia are about to Reprint Wm Sewels History and this meeting Concludes to Subscribe for one Book and Samuel Smith & Barzillai Tucker & Caleb Russell are appointed to Receive Subscriptions.

4 mo 1772. There was Collected here 1£"19"3 [illegible] and the Collection is Referred to the next monthly meeting. This meeting adjourns to the 29th Instant after the meeting of Worship.

This Meeting met according to adjournment the 29th 4 mo 1772. The Representatives being Called Caleb Russell and William Anthony jur both present. This meeting hath Signed a Certificate for Ralph Rouch jur to friends in the City of London Old England.

5 mo 1772. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 18th 5 mo 1772. The Representatives are Caleb Russell, Robt [illegible] both Present.

Daniel Smiths paper hath been Read according to the appointment of Last monthly meeting and is as followeth

To the Monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth,
Esteemed friends, whereas I being of my watch and got into a familiarity with [illegible] whereby I have transgressed the good order of friends notwithstanding the temptation was great yet taking into Consideration the bad Effect of Passing [illegible] transgression [illegible] for ye Condemnation [illegible] desire that friends would pass by my offence and still continue me under their care hoping to be more careful for the future in such Respects from your well wishing friend
the 17 of ye 2d month 1772. Daniel Smith.

Zebulon Cornell's paper of Condemnation hath been Read as ordered, and is as followeth,

Whereas Zebulon Cornell son of our friend Daniel Cornell and his deceased wife Elizabeth, having had his Education Amongst friends [illegible] the Care of this meeting, yet he hath so far departed from the Simplicity of Truth and the [illegible] [illegible] own house as to fall into the sin of Fornication as appears by his wife having a Child so soon after Marriage and friends having Laboured with him in Love in order to Convince him of the Evil thereof and that he may be restored to the way of Truth but our Labour of Love therein not Obtaining the desired Effect to the Satisfaction of this meeting and friends believing they are Clear [illegible] in that Respect do hereby publickly disown him ye sd Zebulon from under the Care of this meeting, the 20 ye 4 mo 1772 by
[illegible] Russell Clerk

The friends appointed to Labour with David Chase Report that haint had an Opportunity to Treat with him therefore they are still Continued in that Service and [illegible] is added to them and they to make Report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Labour with Abner Russell Report that he is gone from home and they have not had an Opportunity to Treat with him and they are still Continued in that Service and to make Report when they have an Opportunity to discharge themselves in that Respect.

5 mo 1772, The friends appointed to Inquire into the Rachel Merithew's Request for a Removal Certificate Report that Inquiry hath been made and her affairs not being all Settled they are Continued in that Service and make Report to the next monthly meeting.

The Clerk Reports that he hath not Read Abraham Sherman's Paper of Denial by Reason of [illegible] of a Reformation and now this meeting seeing no [illegible] of a Reformation do Continue the Clerk to Read said Paper before next Monthly meeting and then make Report.

Caleb Greene rec'd family Caleb Green hath Removed within the Compass of this meeting and hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at East Greenwich which is Accepted.

The friends appointed to have the Care of the meeting held in Allen's Neck (So Called) Report that they attended the Meeting which was held to [illegible] Satisfaction.

The Overseers hath Exhibited a Complaint against Jedediah Allen for Striking Samuel Gifford Son of Samuel Gifford. And they also have Exhibited a Complaint against the said Samuel Gifford for Prosecuting the said Jedediah Allen in the Law for Striking his Son. Therefore this meeting do appoint Wm Sanford Caleb Russell & Samuel Smith to Inquire into the whole matter respecting the two above said Complaints and Labour as they may find freedom and make Report to next monthly meeting.

This Meeting hath Collected £ 5. 18. 6 Old Tenno.

6 mo 1772. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th 6 mo 1772 the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Seth Sherman both Present.

Whereas the Yearly meeting at Rhode Island is now in being for which Reason this meeting is Adjourned to the 22 day of this Instant after the Meeting of Worship which meeting [illegible]

At a Monthly Meeting held by Adjournment 22. 6 mo 1772. the Representatives being Called both Present.

The Committee appointed to Labour with David Chase for marrying out of the Unity of friends Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction & the said Chase hath given in a Paper Condemning his Marrying out of the Unity of friends which is Referred under the care of sd Committee and they to make Report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Prepare a Removal Certificate for Rachel Merithew Report that they have not Prepared said Certificate for the Same Reson as was last monthly meeting. therefore sd Committee are Still Continued in that Service and to make Report to the next monthly Meeting.

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read Abraham Shermans paper of Denial according to the appointment of Last monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to Labour with Jedediah Allen last monthly meeting Report that they Laboured with

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[illegible] Allen and the matter is not yet settled to their satisfaction therefore they are still continued in that Service and Prince Allen is added to them and they to make Report to next monthly meeting.

The Women friends inform this meeting that Hannah Jennings hath Given in a Paper to this meeting Condemning her Disorder in falling into the sin of Fornication as appears by her having a Child so soon after marriage which hath been read & accepted by their meeting which this meeting Concurs with and the Women friends also Inform that Mary Howland wife of [illegible] Howland hath Condemned her marrying out of the Unity of friends to the Satisfaction of their meeting which this meeting Concurs with And the women friends Likewise Inform that they minuted Alice Phillips a Member under their care which this meeting Concurs with.

Alice Phillips

The Committee appointed to Labour with Daniel Gifford for Prosecuting Jedediah Allen in the Law Reports that they have treated with him, and the matter is not fully made up to their Satisfaction therefore the said friends are Still Continued in that Service and make Report to next monthly meeting.

Samuel Mosher Requests to be admitted under friends Care therefore Paul Russell & Barzillai Tucker & Joseph Gifford and Adam Gifford are appointed to Inspect into his Life and Conversation and also his [illegible] and make Report to next monthly meeting.

This meeting is informed from the Preparative meeting that Seth Russell Daniel Gifford Timothy Gifford Jun & [illegible] have been in the Practice of Running Horses for [illegible] and they Continue in [illegible] therefore [illegible] Gifford Prince Allen John Potter & Philip Allen are appointed to Labour with them in order to Shew them the Error of Such Practices and make Report to next Monthly Meeting.

The Queries hath been Read and Answered in this meeting.
This meeting hath collected £7..12..10 old tenor.
This meeting Adjourns to the 24th of this Instant after the meeting for Worship.

At a Monthly Meeting met according to Adjournment this 24..6mo 1772 the Representatives being called both present

This meeting Adjourns to the 3rd day of next month after the meeting for worship.

At a Monthly meeting met according to Adjournment the 3rd Day 7mo 1772 the Representatives being Called both present.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell five dollars for keeping the Meeting House half a year & Report to next Mo meeting.

The Overseers of the poor hath brought an account from [illegible] for keeping [illegible] 155 weeks at [illegible]

6 mo. 1772. week which amounts to 23£..5s Which account this meeting Approveth.

The friends appointed to inform Women friends in Dartmouth with Deborah Wilbur Report that the matter being very Difficult and they have some more assistance, therefore Do appoint Caleb Russell & Samuel Smith to Join them in that Case and they to make Report as soon as they are ready.

This Meeting hath Drawn an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting next to be held at Newport, and our friends Caleb Russell Jonth Hussey Paul Russell Wm Sandford & Wm Mosher are appointed to Attend the above sd Quarterly meeting and to present the Epistle with ye Accounts to that meeting and make report to next monthly meeting. Our Quarterly Collection is Referd to next monthly meeting.

7 mo 1772. At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 20th 7mo 1772. the Representatives are Wm Anthony jur and Saml Smith both Present

Thos Philips & his Wife hath Given their Consent in writing that their Daughter Allice Should Should Proceed in Marriage with Richard Smith

Richard Smith & Elice Philips Richard Smith & Elice Philips Declared their Intentions of Marriage and were Desired to wait untill the next monthly meet for their Answer and Adam Gifford & Wm Mosher are appointed to Enquire into the young mans Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation and make report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to have the Care of the matter Respecting David Shearman Report that they hant any thing new to inform this meeting and sd Shearman is not Present therefore the matter is Referd under the Same Care as heretofore and they to make Report to next monthly meeting.

The friends Intrusted with the Care of Rachel Matthews Certificate Report that they have not yet prepared one therefore they are Continued in that Service and to make Report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to treat with Samuel Mosher on account of his Request Report that they have made Some Progress in that matter and they think it best to Refer the matter for the Present, therefore it is Referd under the Same friends Care and they to make when they think nessary.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell five Dollars as Ordered.

The Committee appointed to Labour and Advise with Daniel Gifford and Jedediah Allen Report that the Controversy is made up between them to Satisfaction and the sd Gifford hath Given in a paper Condemning his Prosecuting the said Allen in the Law Contrary to the Advice of the Overseers advice which paper is Accepted, and the sd Allen not being Present his paper is not accepted but is Referd to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that hath been in the Practice of Runing of Goods

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Report that they have made Some Progress in that matter and have found Some Satisfaction, tho, None of them have fully Condemned Sd Disorder.

The friends Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all Attended According to Appointment.

Elizabeth [illegible]

The Womens friends Informs that they have [illegible] Elizabeth [illegible] for Marrying out of the Unity of friends which this meeting Concurs with.

The Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that Possess Slaves Report as followeth, which is accepted

Report of a committee to labour with those members [illegible]

Agreeable to the Appointment of ye last Meeting We have Visited those Friends that Possess Slaves belonging to this meeting and have had much Conference with them on that account, Endeavouring (according to our abilities) to Convince them of the Evil of that Iniquitous Practice of Keeping our fellow Creatures in Bondage, but some of them yet Refuses to Comply with the advice of friends in that matter who are Joseph Russell who has Two Negroes in Bondage & Refuses to set them ~~to set them~~ at Liberty Isaac Howland [illegible] one Negro in Bondage & Refuses to free him. Rebecca Slocum who has three Negroes in Bondage of full age (& one or two under age) and Refusing to free any of them yet (But has (as she Saith) ordered them to be freed in her will), John Russell we think Complies with friends Advice [illegible] at Liberty [illegible] under age [illegible] to free [illegible] Wm Sanford [illegible] one Negroe [illegible] Complying with friends advice by [illegible] Liberty. [illegible] Slocum having Negroes [illegible] free & [illegible] at Liberty, [illegible] friends [illegible] that Joseph Russell J. Howland & Rebecca Slocum [illegible] in this matter in keeping those Negroes in Bondage [illegible] to Comply with ye order of friends in that case. [illegible] Peleg Slocum [illegible] Labour [illegible] more fully Comply therewith.

by your Comittee this 20th 7mo 1772

[illegible] John Russell
Barzillai Tucker Benjn Howland,

And the above sd Committee are appointed to Labour with the above said friends that appear Deficient Respecting of Keeping Slaves in Bondage and also to Labour with those friends that appear Deficient in regard to the Clandestine Trade in the foregoing minutes and make Report when ready.

This Meeting hath Received a Number of London printed Epistles with a Transcript of the last Epistle from the yearly held at Rhodeisland.

Deborah [illegible]

This Meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial against Deborah Wilbur for ye Offences therein mentioned and the Clerk is appointed to Read Said Paper at the Close of a first day Meeting before the next monthly meeting and then make Report Said Paper is as followeth.

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1772

[illegible]

Joseph Rotch and Sons hath Exhibited a Complaint against Daniel Russell for refusing to give them their Due and [illegible] that they have Bestowed much Labour in order for him to Comply with their Request [illegible] proved inaffectual therefore this meeting Do appoint Philip Allen & Prince Allen David Shepherd & James Davice to Labour with the said Daniel Russell and to make Report to next month meeting.

The Committee appointed to Joine with Tucker Committee to Labour with the Heirs of Jedidiah & Keziah Wood to bring them to a Settlement of the Estate Left them by sd Jedidiah & Keziah Wood and we having meet together with sd heirs from time to time and Laboured in Love with them to Compose and finally settle sd Estate among themselves or Submitt to friends or Arbitrators to Settle the Same but our Labour proving inaffectuall with them And it is our Advice and Judgment that sd heirs apply to the Judge of Probate in order to have the Estate Settled or Compose a Settlement among themselves for we find the Circumstances of the affair to be such we think best not to Compell sd heirs to Arbitration.

From your Committee the 29th 6mo 1772
Pelleg Huddlestone
Joseph Tripp
Wm Anthony Junr
Benjamin Tucker
Abiel Macomber
Jo Russell.

This Meeting is Informed by the Preparative meeting that Jacob Mott hath fallen into Several Disorders particularly in taking too much Spirituous Liquors & in Using bad Language & in abusive behaviour & in Neglecting attending for Worship and Discipline for which Several Disorders he hath been Treated with and gave no Satisfaction, therefore Joseph Tucker Wm Sandford and Abraham Tucker are appointed to Labour with the sd Mott as they may find Occation and make Report to next monthly meeting.

This Meeting is Informed that Seth Smith hath in his Cair Some Accounts of the Sufferings of Friends therefore Samuel Smith and Wm Anthony jur are appointed to Inspect the Accounts and make Report the next monthly meeting.

This Meeting hath Received a Transcript Of several matters Concluded on as Rules of our Society at our Last yearly meeting at Rhodisland & Samuel Smith & William Anthony jur

7 mo 1772. are appointed to Place the above minutes under proper heads in our book of Discipline and make Report to the next monthly meeting.

Benjamin Howland [illegible] Shearman Barnabas Mosher Prince Allen are appointed to Collect money by way of Subscription for to defray the Charge of Repairing our Meeting house and to make Report as soon as they Can.

This meeting hath Subscribed for Twenty four books of Friends Histories and Caleb Russell is appointed to Send the money for those books to Wm Redwood or [illegible] and make Report as soon as he Can. The Treasurer hath paid one Dollar to Caleb Russell for to send for one of sd books for this meeting.

8 mo 1772. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th of 8 mo 1772. The Representatives are Wm [illegible] & [illegible]

Joseph Smith with [illegible] Consent [illegible] Bishop Smith may proceed in marriage with [illegible] Phillips. The friends appointed to Inquire into [illegible] Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation report that they have made Inquiry and find nothing to hinder their proceeding in marriage. [illegible] Smith & [illegible] Phillips appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in some Convenient time before the next monthly meeting advising with the Overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and Adam Gifford & Wm Mosher are appointed to see their marriage Consummated in good order and make Report to next mo. meeting.

The Report Respecting [illegible] not appearing to good satisfaction by reason of his neglecting of attending of meetings [illegible] his acknowledgment, therefore the matter is Refered under the Care of the same friends that was appointed in that Case some Months past; and Paul Russell is added to them and they to make Report when they think proper.

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read Deborah Willbur's paper of Denial according to Appointment.

The paper that Jedediah Allen gave into this meeting some months past Condemning his striking Samuel Gifford hath been [illegible] and Considered, which is accepted provided he Cause sd paper to be read at the Close of a first Day meeting for Worship before next mo. meeting he being Present and Return sd paper to sd meeting and make Report of its being read. Sd paper is as followeth.

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be holden at Dartmouth 18, 5mo 1772.

Whereas I through unwatchfulness have struck Samuel Gifford son of Daniel Gifford which I am heartily sorry for and do Condemn, hoping God will forgive me, and friends so far pass by mine offence as to let me Remain under their Care hoping for time to come I shall be more Careful

Jedediah Allen.

[illegible] removed This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for our friend Hannah Bennitt wife of Robert Bennitt

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1772.

to the monthly meeting Rhodisland.

The friends appointed to Labour with Jacob Mott Report that they have taken an Opportunity and treated with him and he gave them no Satisfaction therefore Samuel Smith is aded to the Committee and they to inspect into his Disorder and Labour as they may find Occasion and make Report to next monthly meeting.

Samuel Smith & Wm Anthony jur Reports that they have made Some Progress in Inspecting of the Accounts of friends Sufferings as appointed but have not done therewith therefore they are Still Continued in that Service and to make Report when ready. And the above sd friends Report that they have Continued their Assistance in Placing the Annual Matter Concerned as Nearly as Possibly under proper heads in the book of Discipline.

Caleb Russell hath produced a Receipt from Wm Readwood that he Delivered the money According to Appointment of last Mo Meeting.

Seth Russell hath attended in this meeting and Verbally Condemned his Disorder in Suffering a Cupple to be married before a Justis of peace in his House which is accepted.

The Committee appointed to Labour with Daniel Russell for Neglecting to pay Joseph Rotch [illegible] their Demand Report that they have Laboured with him and Daniel hath made some proposals to said Rotch to Satisfy him but it not being Settled the said Committee are appointed to Judge & Determine of sd Proposals and make Report to next monthly meeting.

Overseers appd. Daniel Cornell William Anthony jur Jonathan Hussy Thos Hicks William Mosher William Barker are appointed Overseers in this meeting for the year Insuing.

Caleb Russell Joseph Barker Barzillai Tucker Philip Allen Abraham Howland are appointed Trustees of the Poor for the year Insuing.

9 mo
1772.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 21, 9 mo 1772 the Representatives are Called Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey both Present.

The friends appointed to See Eliship Smith and Allice Philips marriage Consomated Report that they attended said marriage which was Consomated in good order.

Jedidiah Allens paper hath been read and Returned to this meeting According to the appointment of last monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to Labour with Jacob Mott Report that they have Discharg'd themselves in that Respect, therefore the said Committee is Still Continued to Draught a paper of Denial against the sd Jacob Mott and make Report to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to Judge of

9 mo 1772 determine between Daniel Russell & Joseph Rotch & Sons Report that the matter is not accomplished therefore they are still continued in that service & to make Report to next monthly meeting

David Shepherd and James Davis are appointed Overseers of the poor.

Whereas Caleb Smith and Jonathan Hussey was appointed to Labour with Wm Sandford for marrying out of Unity of friends Some time past and Sd Sandford has been absent from home and nothing hath been Done to the Satisfaction of this meeting therefore Wm Anthony is appointed in the room of Caleb Smith and they to Labour with Sd Sandford and make Report to next Mo meeting.

The Queries hath been Read and Answer'd in this meeting.

Received Several Epistles (viz)
one written Epistle from the yearly meeting in London
one from the yearly meeting held in Philadelphia
one from the yearly meeting held in Flushing on Long Island
all which were read to good Satisfaction.

William Barker Wm Anthony jur Benjamin Smith jur are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and to present the Epistle with the answers to the Queries which Epistle hath been signed in this meeting and they to make report to next Mo meeting.

Rachel Mitchel removed. This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for Rachel Mitchel to the monthly meeting of Sandwich.

There was collection at this meeting £11" 2s" 9d old tennor

The Treasurer is ordered to pay the above Sum to the Overseers of the poor for the use of the poor. & Sd Treasurer Reports that he hath now paid Sd money as ordered.

10 mo 1772

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 10 mo 1772. the Representatives are Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey Present.

Jo Russell Jr & Mehitable Howland [illegible] Joseph Russell jur and Mehetable Howland declared their Intentions of marriage and were desired to wait untill the next monthly meeting for their answer, and David Shepherd & John Williams are appointed to make Enquiry into the young man's clearness respecting marriage & Conversation and make report to next monthly meeting.

Jacob Mott denied This meeting hath Signed a Paper of Denial against Jacob Mott (for the offences Cognised against him Some months past) and the Clerk is appointed to Read Said paper at the Close of a first Day's meeting for Worship befor next Monthly meeting and then make Report said paper is as followeth.

Whereas Jacob Mott of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, Having been Educated amongst friends under the care of this meeting yet by Departing from his Education, and the Principals of Truth in his own brest hath so far gone Astray as to be found Guilty of Divers Disorderly practices highly inconsistant with

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1772.

the Piety and Gravity of our Profession Particularly in Absenting himself from our Religious meetings, And in taking too much Spirituous Liquor And using bad Language, and in Abusive behaviour, For which Misconduct [illegible] this meeting hath Treated with him and admonished him [illegible] & [illegible] in order to Convince him of the Evil thereof, and advised him therefrom, but our admonition & labour not being Effectual So as to obtain the desired End, Therefore for the Clearing of Truth and the Professors thereof from Such Reproachfull behaviour, This Meeting is Concerned Publickly To Testify against him and Do hereby Disown him the said Jacob Mott from being a Member of our Religious Society, Untill by Unfeigned Repentance he shall Return to the way of truth Which yt he may is our Sincear desire.
Given forth & Signed by & on behalf of our monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th 10 mo 1772.

by Job Russell Clerk.

The Committee Appointed to labour with Daniel Russell for Neglecting to pay Joseph Rotch their Committee Reports that the Matter is made to the said Rotches Satisfaction for the Present.

The Committee appointed to Labour with Wm Sandford jur Report that they have not had an opportunity to Labour with him (both together) tho they have Laboured with him separate & Received Some Incouragement, therefore they are still continued in that Service untill next mo. meeting, and then to make Report.

The friends Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all Attended Except Benjn Smith jr & he Rendered a Reasonable Excuse for his not attending, And they Produced an Epistle from sd Quarterly meeting which hath been Read to Good Satisfaction and they have Produced a Coppy of an Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting held in Newport on Rhodisland the 9th & 10th Days of ye 7 mo 1772. Said Epistle informs that its Concluded to Lay out thirty pounds Lawful money on a Meeting House belonging to the Monthly Meeting Southkingston, and Each monthly meeting is Desired to Contribute according to their freedom, But we think that this meeting may bee Excused by reason that we are Considerably in Debt for Repairing of our meeting house in Aponeganset and for Supporting of our poor, And also sd Epistle informs that the yearly meeting of Rhodisland hath Reversed the Judgment of the Quarterly meeting Respecting Humphry Smith.

Jonathan Hussey Samuel Smith Prince Allen Wm Sandford Thos Hicks & William Mosher are Appointed to have the Oversight of the People in the Lofts & other Seats at our insuing Yearly Meeting to Indeavour to Prevent Any indecency that may be Liable to happen at that time and make Report of their Service at the next monthly meeting. This Meetn hath Concluded to alter our Quarterly Collection to a Monthly Collection and Conclude to Collect every month as need may Appear.

The Treasurer is Ordered to pay William Anthony jr two dollars which he Distributed for this meeting to Purchase Extracts. And said Treasurer is Likewise Ordered to pay Antipas Hathaway one Dollor for Glasing the Meeting House.

[illegible] Meeting hath Collected 4£ 6s 11d Old Tenor.

11 mo
1772.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 16th the 11 mo 1772. the Representatives being Called which are [illegible] Tucker Both Present.

Benjamin Tucker is Chosen Clerk for this Day.

The friends appointed to Inquire into the Clearness of Joseph Russell jur Report that they find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Joseph Russell jur and Mehitable Howland appeared for their Answer which was that they might Proceed in to take Each other in Marriage between this and next monthly meeting Advising with the Overseers that this meeting Shall Appoint for that purpose, and David Shepherd and John Williams are Appointed to see their Marriage Consomated in Good order and make report to the next monthly meeting.

By reason of [illegible] Hicks being Sick he has not read Jacob Mott's Denial as ordered therefor he is Continued in that Service and to make return to next monthly meeting.

The friends Appointed last monthly meeting to have the oversight of the [illegible] in the Lofts and other [illegible] at our yearly meeting not being all Present therefore their Report is Refered to next monthly meeting.

The friends Appointed on the Case of Wm Sandford jr not fulfilling their Appointment by Reason of Sickness, therefore they are Still Continued in that Service and Abraham Tucker is added to them & they are desired to do Something in that Case before next monthly meeting and then make Report.

William Jones [illegible]

Our friend William Jones hath Visited this meeting with his Certificate from the monthly meeting of Burlington in the Province of New Jersey the 7th of the 9 mo 1772. whose Visit and Service in the Truth is Kindly Accepted.

Friends at Bedford Request to have a meeting for Worship held there two days in a week, the Week Day meeting to be held on the Sixth Day of the week (Except those weeks of our Mo. meetings, Preparative & Quarterly meetings are held in, untill the Last of the third month next, Which Request is Granted and David Shepherd and James Davis are appointed to have the Oversight thereof and to See if it be held in the Authority of truth and to make Report at the Expiration thereof.

The Treasurer Reports that he has paid Antipas Hathaway one Dollar as ordered.

This Meeting hath Collected 7£ 17s 10d Old Tenor.

12 mo
1772.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 21th 12 mo 1772. the Representatives are Benjn Hicks and Samuel Smith present.

John Williams Reports that by Reason of Sickness he did not attend the marriage of Joseph Russell & Mehitible Howland and we Understand David Shepherd Could not attend this meeting by Reason of his family being unwell therefore his Reporting is Refered to next monthly meeting.

12 mo 1772. The Clerk Reports that he hath [illegible] [illegible] Monthly meeting of friends According to the Appointment of last Mo meeting.

The friends appointed to have the Oversight of the People in the [illegible] at our Yearly meeting, Report that most of them Attended all the meetings and that the People behaved in Some Degree orderly.

The Committee appointed to Labour with Wm Sanford [illegible] Report that they have not discharged their duty in that Respect by reason of some disappointment therefore they are still continued in that Service and they to make Report to next monthly meeting.

This meeting hath Received from David Shepherd by the hand of John Howland the Sum of 1£..9s..3d..¼ Lawful money which he Raised by way of Subscription According to Appointment of this meeting, And the Same is Delivered to Wm Anthony jur.

this meeting Collected 1£..7s..8d Old tenor.

This meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth Day in next month after the meeting for Worship.

This Meeting met According to Adjournment the first Sixth Day of the first mo 1773 the Representatives being Called both Present.

The Overseers of the Poor hath brought [illegible] [illegible] for the Poor [illegible] [illegible] appoint Samuel Smith Job Russell Prince Allen and William [illegible] a Committee to Examine Said Accounts and Also to Collect the [illegible] Accounts that this meeting is in Indebt and make Repor as Soon as they Can with Conveniency.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell 5 Dollars for Keeping the meeting House [illegible] year.

The Queries hath been read and Answered and an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting was read and Signed & Joseph Tucker and William Sanford are Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting and Convey the Answers & Epistle to Sd Quarterly meeting and make Report to next monthly Meeting.

This Meeting Received 8£..10s..9d old tenor of Barnabus Mosher which he Collected by way of Subscription which is Delivered to Wm Anthony jur.

1 mo 1773. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 18th 1mo 1773 the Representatives are William Mosher & Barzillai Tucker Present.

David Sheepherd hath not made Report of his attending Jost Russells marriage according to Refferance of Last monthly meeting therefor James Davice is appointed to Call upon him to know the reason of his not making report and to Desire him to make Report to next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell five Dollors as Ordered.

The friends Appointed to Labour with William Sanford jur for marrying out of the Unity of friends Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction and Sd Sanford hath given in a

1 mo 1773. Paper Concerning his Disorder which is Accepted and is as followeth.

To the monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth.

beloved friends these are to inform you that I have gone Contrary to the good order Established among friends in Marriage which breach of Unity which I have heartily Condemned & am Sorry for and should be glad that friends would So far pass it by as to let me Remain under their Care given forth under my hand this 18th day of the 1 mo 1773.

William Sandford Jr

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all Attended according to appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been Read to good Satisfaction and the Contents thereof Earnestly Recommended to friends notice and Observation.

Whereas this meeting Requested of the Quarterly meeting that there may bee an alteration in Our yearly meeting as it is now held in two Branches, to have the Same held in two Destinct yearly meetings, And this meeting is informed by an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting that sd Quarterly meeting Desires this meeting to Consult with Acoakset monthly meeting about the Alteration, And we Appoint Joseph Tucker Abraham Tucker Paul Russell Job Russell Jonathan Hussey & Samuel Smith a Committee to confer with Acoakset monthly meeting on that and make Report So as to have sd matter Sent up to next Quarter.

Two of the Overseers Informes that meeting that Sherman Crawrath married out of the Unity of friends, Although they Precautioned him before marraige therefore we do appoint Barnabus Mosher & Wm Wood to Labour with him as they may find freedom and make Report to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to treat with David Smith Report as followeth which is Accepted.

Agreeable to the appointment of the Monthly Meeting We have made Inquiry into the Complaint against David Smith and have Prevailed with him to Leave the matter to Indifferent men in order to Settle the Controversy which was then Subsisting between him and Daniel Russell & Abner Russell which was then So far Complied with as to Choose the arbitrators but the other parties not appearing to proceed in the matter in order for Settlement, therefore we think David Smith may be Dismissed from sd Complaint at Present.

Given forth by your Committee this 18th ye 1 mo 1773.

Joseph Tucker
Abraham Howland
Barnabus Mosher
Benja Howland 2nd

Thomas Almy hath Removed within the Compass of Acoakset Monthly meeting to Live and Desires a Removal Certificate. So appoint Prince Allen & Nicholass Howland to Enquire into his Life & Conversation and to See that his outward affairs be Settled to Satisfaction and Draw a Certificate for him if they think proper and make Report to next meeting.

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1773.

William Barker and Daniel Cornel hath Exhibited a Complaint against David Smith for Reporting that Some of the Overseers were false men in Particularly Wm Barker & Daniel Cornel to their Defamation Therefore this meeting do appoint Benjn Faber Nicholass Howland John Ricketson Benjn Howland 2nd Wm Wood a Committee to inquire into and to Judge and Determine the matter between them in behalf of this Meeting and make Report to next Mo Meeting.

Prince Allen hath Collected by way of Subscription £ s d 7..22..9 6.tenths and Benjn Howland 2nd hath Collected by way of Subscription £ s d 13..2..3 6.tenths and said money is delivered to Wm Anthony for repairing meeting houses. the Collectors to Report to next monthly meeting.

2 mo
1773.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 15th 2nd Mo 1773. the Representatives are Samuel Smith and James Davis.

David Shepherd reports that he attended the marriage of Elijah Russel & Mehetable Howland according to Appointment which was Consomated orderly & sd David has Rendered a Excuse for his not making Report Last monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to deal with Sherman Bowe report that they have treated with him and he gave them a good degree of Satisfaction and he hath given in a paper to this meeting Signifying his Sorrow therefore the matter is Referred under the Care of the above sd Committee and Paul Russell is added to them for a further Trial of his Sincerity and they to report when they think necessary.

Thos Almy

The Committee appointed to inquire into the matter respecting Thos Almy have draughted a Certificate on his behalf to the Mo Meeting of Acoakset which was Signed by the Clerk in behalf of this meeting.

The Committee appointed respecting the complaint of Wm Barker and Daniel Cornel against David Smith for Reporting that Some of the Overseers were false men Report as followeth and is Accepted.

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth

Agreeable to your Appointment Last monthly meeting we have made Inquiry into the Grounds of the complaint of Wm Barker & Daniel Cornel against David Smith and we find by undoubted Evidency that sd David Smith has Publickly Reported that Some of the Overseers of our Meeting were false men to the Defamating of them therefore our Judgment is that sd David Smith Ought as Publickly to Condemn the Same, as he Reported the Scandal.

Given forth by your Comtee
this 10th the 2mo 1773.

Nicholass Howland
John Ricketson
Benjn Faber
Wm Wood
Benjn Howland 2nd

David Smith Requests a Coppy of the Complaint of Wm Barker & Daniel Cornel against him which is granted

Likewise sd David Requests an Appeal from

2 mo 1773. the aforesd judgment, to the Quarterly meeting which is granted.

The Committee appointed to Settle accounts with the Treasurer Report that they have Settled Sd Accompts and Remains in the Stock £23" 1s" 2d old tennor.

The Sd Committee also Inform that they have Collected the many Debts against this meeting which amount to £35" 12s" 2d½ L money.

this meeting Collected the Sum of £13" 12s" 2d old tennor and the Treasurer is ordered to Deliver £2" 0" 0 Lawfull money to the Overseers of the poor for the use of the poor, and Sd Treasurer is ordered to pay Wm Anthony Jr £1" 2s" 2d L money for Repairing the meeting house.

Samuel Smith is appointed to Draught a Subscription for to Raise money to Defray the above sd Debts and bring them to the adjournment of this meeting. this meeting adjourns to the Last forth Day in this month.

At a Monthly meeting held by adjournment 24th 2 mo 1773. the Representatives were Called Samuel Smith present.

This meeting having further Considered the matter Respecting David Smith and do appoint Prince Allen Seth Shearman Benjamin Tucker to Shew him the Judgment that was Read and Accepted at the first Setting of this meeting in Consequence of the Complaint of Wm Barker and Daniel Cornal and to Labour with the Sd David to Comply therewith and make Report to the next monthly meeting.

Robt Kirby Samuel Smith Caleb Russell Wm Anthony jur are appointed to Correct the monthly meeting minutes in order to be put on Record and also to Inspect the papers and they to burn them that appear to be of no Use or Service and make Report to next Mo. Meeting.

Samuel Smith hath Drafted papers for Subscription agreeable to Appointment and Caleb Russell Prince Allen Gideon Howland William Mosher Timothy Russell & Jonathan Hussey is appointed to Communicate Sd papers to Each member of this meeting that are able in order for them to Subscribe thereto & Sd Committee to Receive the money and pay the Same into the Treasury of this meeting and make Return of their doings and the Sum that is Collected to this meeting as soon as they Can with Conveniency.

Jonathan Hussey is appointed to have the oversight of the Burying Ground belonging to this meeting in the Room of Daniel Russell Deceased.

3 mo 1773 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th ye 3 mo 1773. the Representatives are William Mosher & William Wood present.

the Treasurer Reports that he hath paid the Overseers of the poor £2" 0s" 0d Lawfull money also paid Wm Anthony jur £1" 2s" 2d L. money as ordered last monthly meeting.

3 mo 1773. The Committee appointed to Shew Isaac Smith the Judgment in consequence of the Complaint of [illegible] Coinal & Wm Tucker against said Isaac, and to labour with him to comply therewith Report as followeth which is Accepted,

Agreeable to appointment we have Shewn said Smith the Judgment of the Committee appointed to Judge & Determine between Isaac Smith and the Overseers of our Meeting, which was read and accepted in our last Monthly Meeting (said Smith present) we have Likewise laboured with sd Smith to Comply with said Judgment which he Refusses to do and Still Insisted upon his appeal to the Quarterly meeting.

Dated Dartmo ye 15th 3 mo 1773.

Abraham Tucker
Seth Sherman
Prince Allen

The Committee appointed to correct the Monthly Meeting Minutes & Inspect the other papers & Sums those that appear to be of note or Service, Report that they have attended that appointment, & Saml Smith & Wm Anthony are to Record sd Mi.

Stephen Merrithew hath removed within the Compass of Sandwich Monthly Meeting and desires a Removal Certificate therefore we appoint John Williams & James Davis to Inquire into his Life and Conversation & also to see if his outward affairs be Settled to Satisfaction and draught a Certificate for him if they find things clear and Report to next Month meeting.

The Committee appointed to Consult with Acoaksit Mo Meeting about the Alteration of our yearly meeting Report as followeth which is Accepted.

We the Committee appointed by the Monthly Meetings of Dartmouth and Acoaksit Persuant to appointment we have Weightily Considerd the matter in Regard to an Alteration in our yearly meetings the better to Accomodate the Select meetings and that they both be held at the same time as heretofore and that the time of meeting be first as followeth (viz) The first day of said meeting to begin at the twelfth hour the Second Day at the Eleventh hour & the last Day at ye tenth hour. Dartmouth the 10th of ye 3 mo 1773.

Joshua Davel Joseph Tucker
Samuel Smith Abraham Tucker
Paul Russell Jona Hussey
Lemuel Sisson Joseph Ripp
Job Russell

The Queries hath been Answered in this meeting and an Epistle Signed to the Quarterly meeting and ordered forward by the Repis who are Wm Mosher Samuel Smith Barzillai Tucker Prince Allen & Job Russell and Likewise sd Representatives are to Procure Such papers & Coppies as Shall appear Necessary and Report to next Monthly Meeting.

4 mo 1773 — At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 19th of 4 mo 1773. The Representatives are Thos Hicks & Benjamin Russell present.

[illegible] — This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Stephen [illegible] to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended according to appointment and have received an Epistle from the Same which hath been read and well Accepted.

Job Case Informs that he is about to Remove to the Oblong and Desires a Removal Certificate for himself and Children, therefore we Appoint Prince Allen & Daniel Cornal to Inquire into his life and Conversation and See that his Outward affairs be Settled to Satisfaction and Draw a Certificate for them if they find things Clear and bring it to next monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed to have the Oversight of that meeting at Bedford Report that they attended said meeting which was held in a good Degree orderly, and the friends at Bedford Request that the week day meeting be continued as heretofore untill the Monthly Meeting in the tenth month next, which is granted and David Shepherd & James Davis are appointed to have the Oversight of sd meeting to see that it be kept orderly & in the authority of truth and Report to the tenth month meet.

Hannah Cook's received member — The Women friends Inform that they have admitted Hannah Cook a member of our Society which this meeting approveth.

The friends at Newtown inform that they think it Necessary to drop several meetings held on week days there namely the meeting held on that week our youths meeting is and also the meeting on that week our Monthly meeting is held, therefore sd meetings are Discontinued for time to come.

The Report Respecting Sherman [illegible] being Satisfactory therefore this meeting accepts of his paper condemning his marrying out of the unity of friends.

This meeting is Informed by the friends from the Quarterly Meeting that said meeting has Confirmed the Judgment of this meeting against David Smith therefore we appoint Abraham Tucker Prince Allen and James Davis to Labour with said Smith to comply with said Judgment and they to Report to next Mo. Meeting.

This Meeting has Received 330 Extracts of Epistles from the Quarterly meeting which were lately Reprinted and are to be Distributed among friends in general.

Wm Mosher Reports that he hath Received by way of Subscription £40"12"2 old Tenor which he paid into the Treasury, and the Treasurer is ordered to pay sd sum to those that has demands on this meeting and Report to next monthly meeting.

Collected at this meeting £6"18"0 old Ten.

5 mo 1773. — At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th 5 mo 1773 the Representatives are Thos Hicks & Saml Smith present.

The friends appointed to Inquire into Job

5 mo 1773. Good Conversation and Settlement of his outward affairs and prepare a Certificate for him Report that sd Davis affairs are not yet settled therefore they have not prepared one for him and they are continued in that service to Report when ready.

The Committee appointed to Labour with David Smith Report that he is not willing to comply and sd matter is Refered to next Monthly Meeting for sd Smiths further consideration under the same friends care as before and they to make report.

The Treasurer report that he hath paid part of the money as ordered last Monthly meeting therefore he is still continued to pay as ordered and Report when he hath paid the same.

John Howland Requests a Certificate to the Mo Meeting of Rhode Island Certifying his clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation. And we appoint David Shepherd and James Davis to take necessary care on that account and Draw a Certificate if they think proper and bring to next Monthly Meeting.

Friends Living at Bedford Request the Liberty to build a Meeting house there therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker Abraham Tucker Joseph Barker John Potter Benja Smith jr Thos Hicks & William Anthony jr to Consider whether it be best to build a house there or not and if they think best to build to agree on what size to build and Report to next Mo Meeting.

Margd Sherman & Susanah Wing recd. The Womens Meeting Inform that they have Received Margaret Sherman and Susanah Wing under their care which this meeting approveth of.

Daniel Cornal hath Exhibited a Complaint against Thos Smith for Accusing him of being a false man and saying he could prove it which is Refered to next Mo Meeting by reason of sd Smith not being present and John Potter is appointed to Inform sd Smith and Report to next Mo Meeting.

this Meeting Collected £7 - 6s - 2d old tenor.

6 mo 1773. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 25 - 6 mo 1773, the Representatives are Prince Allen & Wm Anthony jr present.

David Smith denied. The Committee appointed to have the Care of that matter Respecting David Smith Report that he Refuses to Comply with the Judgment of this Meeting and friends being Clear from further Labour with him Do hereby Deny the said David Smith from being a member of our Society and Prince Allen is Appointed to Inform sd Smith of his Denial and Report to next Mo Meeting.

This Meeting has Signed a Certificate for John Howland to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island Certifying his Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation.

The Referance of Last Monthly Meeting respecting Daniel Cornel and Thos Smith now Coming under notice and we appoint David Shepherd Abraham Howland James Davis Seth Russell Joseph Barker to Inquire and here and Determine between them in behalf of this meeting & Report to next Mo Meeting.

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William [illegible]

Our friend William [illegible] hath visited this meeting with a certificate from the Monthly meeting of [illegible] in [illegible] Dated the [illegible] month last. [illegible] service in the [illegible] is well accepted, Likewise our friend [illegible] Wiley hath visited us with a [illegible] certificate from [illegible] meeting of [illegible] dated the first of the 6mo 1773 which was kindly accepted.—

Rice Baker and wife [illegible]

This meeting hath Received Removal Certificate for Rice Baker and wife from the Monthly Meeting of Acoakset which is Accepted.

This meeting doth conclude for friends to meet at the Eleventh hour in the fore'noon at all our meetings for worship Except our Yearly meetings. This meeting Adjourns to the first [illegible] Day in next month.

At a Monthly Meeting held According to Adjournment the 2nd day of the 7mo 1773. the Representatives both present.
William Anthony jur is Chosen Clerk for this day and [illegible].

The Committee appointed to Consider about building a Meeting House at Bedford, Report that they think it might be well to build a House there, yet that matter is Referred to the Quarterly meeting for further advice. An Epistle to the Quarterly meeting [illegible] to be forwarded by our Representatives who are Thos Hicks Barzillai Tucker [illegible] & Nicholas Howland.

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Benj Sawdys

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 19th ye 7mo 1773. the Representatives are Wm Mosher & Samuel Smith present.
[illegible] their Intentions of marriage. Also Benjamin Sawdy & Hannah [illegible] their Intentions of Marriage [illegible] wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer, And [illegible] and Joseph Tucker are appointed to Inquire into [illegible] Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation, And Barzillai Tucker and Wm Wood are appointed to Inquire into Benjn Sawdy's Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation and Report to next Monthly meeting.
[illegible] this meeting.

The Committee appointed on Account of [illegible] Report [illegible] the matter is Referred under their care and they to make Report to next Monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended Except [illegible] who hath rendered an Excuse which is accepted. Said friends have brought an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting which hath been read and kindly accepted And likewise the London Printed Epistle of last year which hath been read in this meeting & the [illegible]

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& wholsom advice therein Earnestly Recommended to the Notice of Each Individual. The Quarterly Meeting hath sent this meeting Six books [illegible] 1772 Entitled a Serious warning to Such as are Concerned in Commerce & Trading &c. The other part [illegible] which are Recommended to friends Perusal.

Thomas Willcox
[illegible]

Received a Removal Certificate from [illegible] Monthly meeting on behalf of Thos Willcox dated [illegible] 1772 which is accepted.

This meeting grants David Smith an appeal to the Quarterly meeting and Prince Allen is appointed to Inform Dd Smith thereof.

Caleb Russell Informs that he hath Collected by way of Subscription according to appointment £45"4"0 old tenner.

Prince Allen Reports likewise that he hath Collected [illegible] £0"14"3 [illegible] into the Treasury. This meeting Collected £2"3"0 [illegible].

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Joseph Tucker £1"15"0 old tenner for [illegible].

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell five dollars for half years keeping the meeting house.

This Meeting appoints Prince Allen & Thomas Hicks to [illegible] the Meeting House & to Inspect the meeting house Lot, in the Room of John Potter (who is Dismissed) & Seth Sherman Deceased.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 16th ye 8 mo 1773 the Representatives are Thos Hicks & Barzillai Tucker both Present

The friends Appointed to Inquire into Luthan Woods and Benja Sawdey's Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation make Report that they find nothing to hinder their Proceeding.

Luthan Wood & Susannah King appeared for their Answer. Likewise Benja Sawdey and Hannah Cook appeared for their Answer, whose Answers were, that Each Couple might Proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting Advising with the Overseers that this meeting Shall appoint for that purpose and Joseph Tucker & Prince Allen are appointed to see Luthan Woods marriage Consomated Orderly and William Wood and Peleg Gifford is appointed to see Benja Sawdey's marriage Consomated orderly and they to make Report to next Mo meeting.

The Committee Appointed on Account of Daniel Cornal & Thomas Smith Report that Dd Smith Refuses to make answer thereto untill he have a Coppy of the Complaint Exhibited against him which this meeting grants Provided Dd Smith Obligate himself, that he make no other Use thereof but for his own Defense in the Society. And the afored Committee are Continued in that Service and make Report to next monthly meeting.

The treasurer Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell 5 Dollars as Ordered Likewise Joseph Tucker 35/ as ordered.

Comfort Hoag hath Visited this meeting with a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at Nantom in the

8 mo 1773. Province of Newhamshier in New England bearing Date ye 17th of 8 mo 1773 which kindly Accepted.

The Committee appointed to have the Care of Abner Russell Some months past Report that one of them hath had an Opportunity of Conference with him and he gave him no Satisfaction on that account, and that he had fallen into the like Disorder again and is Absconded So as friends han't Opertunitys with him and this meeting Apprehending they are Clear hath Signed a paper of Denial against him and the Clerk is Ordered to Read sd paper at the End of a first Days meeting of Worship and Report next monthly meeting.

Abner Russell denied.

[illegible] Howland Jr desires to come under the Care of friends therefore we appoint Jonathan Hussey, Barzillai Tucker and John Williams to take an Opportunity of Solid Conference with him in Order to Discover the motive of his Request and Report to next monthly meeting.

The Clerk is ordered to give David Smith a Coppy of the minute of his Denial made against him agreeable to his Request

This meeting Collected £6..8..5 Old tenor.

Prince Allen Reports that he Informed David Smith that his Appeal is granted.

This meeting Viewing Disorders by Peoples Companying Round the meeting house and talking in Companys before meeting and after on [illegible] Day for meeting both for Worship and Discipline. Therefor we appoint our friends Joseph Tucker Jos Ricketson Joseph Barker Prince Allen [illegible] Jr and Wm Mosher to Inspect into the above Disorder and advise as they Shall think proper in that Respect and they to be Continued in that Service a year and then make Report to this meeting.

9 mo 1773. At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 20th ye 9 mo 1773 William Mosher and Samuel Smith appeared as Representatives from the Preparative Meeting.

This meeting Concludes to Adjourn to the 21 Instant by the Request of a Committee which was appointed by the Quarterly meeting to Visit the Monthly meetings.

This meeting being met by Adjournment ye 21 ye 9 mo 1773 the Representatives being Called both present.

The friends appointed to see [illegible] Howland & Susannah King's marriage Consummated also the friends appointed to see [illegible] marriage Consummated made Report to this meeting that they Discharged themselves according to appointment on those accounts and Saw nothing but sd marriages was Consummated orderly.

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the paper of Denial against Abner Russell as ordered and Returned sd paper to this meeting which is as followeth,

From our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 16th Day of ye 8 mo 1773.

Whereas Abner Russell having had

9 mo 1773, his Inclination contrary giving way [illegible] by not taking heed to the grace of God in his own heart, & that measure which is given to every man to profit withall, has so far been led away through the Allurements and Temptations of the Enemy of man's felicity as to be accused and charged on oath by Mary Anthony of being the father of her Bastard child, and friends having bestowed some Labour with him in Order to bring him to a Sence of his Transgression that he by an unfeigned Repentance might be restored to the way of truth again, but his Conduct & Behaviour since ye Labour was bestowed on him seems to demonstrate it hath not its desired Effect. Friends therefore thinking they are clear from any further Labour with him think we can do no less for the clearing of truth than to testify against him & hereby do disown the sd Abner Russell from being a member in unity with our Society. Nevertheless hoping & desiring that ye Almighty by the Riches of his grace & mercy may yet bring him to a Sight & sense of ye Evil of his ways & by unfeigned Repentance witness his peace to be made with him and restored to ye way of truth.

Signed in and on behalf of our meeting by
Wm Anthony Junr Clerk.

The Friends appointed to take an opportunity of solid Conference with James Howland Junr Report that they have had some Conference with him and he gave them some satisfaction and sd Howland is now gone to Sea and the matter is refered under the care of said Committee and they to make Report as soon as they can with Conveniency.

The Clerke Reports that he gave David Smith a Coppy of the minute of his Denial as ordered.

The Committee appointed on Account of Daniel Cornal & Thomas Smith, Reports that they are not Ready to make full Return of their appointment therefore the matter is Refered under their Care, and said Committee Desire some addition, therefore this meeting adds Gilez Slocum Wm Wood, Barzillai Tucker and Joseph Howland to the above sd Committee and they to make Report to next monthly meeting.

Caleb Russell Reports that he hath collected £9. 1s. 6d 4 Pence by way of subscription as appointed some months past and has paid said money into the Treasury.

The Queries were read in this meeting and Answers thereto prepared Likewise an Epistle prepared and Signed by the Clerk for the Quarterly meeting and ordered forward to said Quarterly by the Representatives who are Caleb Russell Barzillai Tucker William Anthony jur Wm Barker Prince Allen and Samuel Smith and they to make Report to next Mo Meeting.

The appointing Overseers both of the meeting & of the Poor is Refered to next monthly meeting.

10 mo 1773. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 18th 10mo 1773 Jonathan Hussey & Thos Hicks Appears as Representatives from the Preparative meeting

This meeting thinks proper to appoint

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[illegible] friends to have the Care and Oversite, of the Lofts & Other Seats at our Ensuing yearly meeting to Prevent Indecencies among the youths, they are therefor Do appoint our friends Wm Barker Wm Sanford [illegible] Joseph Barker Thos Hicks Thomas Smith Wm Anthony jr Abraham Rowland and Benjn Chase for that purpose and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

This Meeting Adjourns to the 25th Instant after ye meeting for worship which is to begin at ye Eleventh hour.

This Meeting met by Adjournment ye 25th ye 10mo 1773. the Representatives are Jonathan and Thos Hicks, present.

The Committee appointed on account of Daniel Cornal and Thomas Smith Reports that they are not ready to make Return therefore the matter is Refered under their Care and they to make to next monthly meeting

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting being Called upon Reported that they all attended sd meeting and Produced an Epistle from the Same which was read in this meeting & kindly Excepted

Overseers [illegible]

This Meeting Appoints our friends Thos Hicks Wm Barker William Anthony & Benjn Rowland and James Davis ye Overseers in the meeting for the year Ensuing.

This Meeting Appoints our friends Joseph Barker [illegible] Barzillai Tucker Abraham Rowland David Shepherd John Williams & Gideon Freeborn Overseers of the Poor for the year Ensuing.

The friends appointed to have the oversight of ye meeting at Bedford made Report that they generally attend sd meeting which was kept in a Good degree orderly and friends at Bedford Still Requests to hold their meeting first days & week days usal untill ye monthly meeting in ye 3d mo next, which is granted and David Shepherd, James Davis are appointed to have the oversight of sd meeting & make Report at ye Expiration thereof.

Jon Wing and Ann Wood [illegible]

Jonathan Wing and Ann Wood Declared their Intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till next Mo Meeting for their Answer, the sd Wing having Produced a Certificate from Acoaxet Mo Meeting Respecting marriage.

This meeting Collected £14" 3" 2 Old Tenor.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 15th 11mo 1773 the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Barzillai Tucker.

The friends appointed Last monthly meeting to have the oversight of the Lofts and Other Seats at our Yearly meeting made Report that they all attended sd meeting [illegible] in that Service and that Same meeting was Conducted in Some good degree orderly on that account.

The Committee appointed in the case between Daniel Cornel and Thomas Smith not being Ready to make report one of them being sick its therefore Refered to next monthly meeting.

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The Transcripts Received from the Quarterly meeting in the Month last hath now been Read and the Wholsom advice therein Contained is Earnestly Recommended to friends Observation & notice.

Barker Little and Elizabeth his wife hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning their falling into the Sin of Fornication therefore we appoint Prince Allen and Philip Allen and Jonathan Russell to have an opportunity of Conference with Barker Little and to Enquire into his Life & Conversation in order to discover his Sincerity and make report to next month's meeting.

This Meeting is Informed from the Preparative meeting that Ebenezer Mosher Neglects Attending our meetings for which Disorder he hath been laboured with and gave no Satisfaction on that Account and Desires to be Disowned by friends, and we appoint Abraham & Joseph Tucker to have the Care of that matter and Labour as they may find freedom & make Report to next mo. meeting.

This Meeting is Informed that Richard Peckham hath Married his first Cousen & Married out of the Unity of friends and his wife hath had a Child born too soon after Marriage and he hath been Laboured with and Declines making Satisfaction and we Appoint Joseph Gifford David Shepherd and John Williams to have the Care of the matter and Report to next monthly meeting.

Tisson Biggs rec'd with family Cert

Tisson Biggs and family hath Returned their Certificate to this meeting Dated ye 12mo 1770 which this meeting Accepts.

Jonathan Wing and Anna Wood received for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in some Convenient time before next mo. meeting advising with the overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and John Potter and William Mosher are appointed to see their marriage Consummated in good order and make Report to next Monthly Meeting.

This meeting Collected the sum of £8..4^{s}-2^{d} old tenor.

This Meeting Concludes that all our meetings for Worship only (Except at Bedford) begin at the twelfth hour.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 20th ye 12mo 1773 the Representatives are Prince Allen and Samuel Smith present.

The Committee appointed Last monthly meeting to confer with Barker Little in order to Discover his Sincerity Report that they think proper to wait a while Longer before we accept his paper, therefore the matter is Referred under the Same friends care as heretofore and they to make report to next Mo meeting.

Joseph Barker and Benjamin Chase makes Report that they attended the yearly Meeting According to appointment and saw nothing but what was in tolerable good order and they have both Rendered an Excuse for their not Reporting to last Monthly meeting which is accepted.

The Committee appointed on account of Daniel Cornal and Richd Smith Inform that they are not Ready to

12 mo 1773 make Report therefore the matter is Referred one month longer under their care and then they to make Report.

Ebenezer Tucker Disowned) The friends appointed to treat with Ebenezer Tucker report that they have Discoursed him Seriously on that account and he gave them no Satisfaction and this meeting apprehending they have fully discharged themselves towards him therefore we do hereby disown him the sd Ebenezer Tucker from being a member of our Society and Abraham Tucker is appointed to inform him of his Denial.

Richard Peckham The friends appointed to have the care of that matter Respecting Richard Peckham Report that they have had an opportunity with him and he Seems Condemning his disorder & giving satisfaction and the same friends are appointed to draw a paper of Condemnation and to deliver him the same and labour with him as they may find freedom and make Report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to see Jonathan Hays and Anna Wood's marriage Consummated Report that they attended sd marriage and saw nothing but what was Consummated in good order.

William [illegible] hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his marrying out of the Unity of friends and are appointed Samuel Smith and Abraham Rowland to have an opportunity of Conference with him in order to discover his sincerity on that account and make Report to next monthly meeting.

This meeting is Informed that Francis Allen and his son Thomas hath taken the oath in form before a magistrate and having been laboured with on that account and sd Francis hath appeared in this meeting & Condemned the sd offence and also his too much Neglect in attending Meetings which seems to be some degree of satisfaction, but it being the mind of this meeting that sd offence ought to be condemned publickly therefore this meeting do appoint our friends Barzillai Tucker and Wm Williams to assist the sd Francis and to labour with his son as they may find freedom & make Report to next Mo meeting.

this meeting Collected $\overset{£}{9}\cdot\overset{s}{5}\cdot\overset{d}{6}$ 0 thereon.

This meeting Adjourns to the last fourth day in this month after the meeting for worship which begins at ye 11th hour.

This meeting being met by Adjournment ye 29 ye 12 mo 1773 the Representatives are Prince Allen & Samuel Smith present.

The Queries were read in this meeting and Answers thereto prepared and an Epistle read and Signed for the Quarterly Meeting and ordered forward by our Representatives who are Prince Allen William Anthony jr William Wood Nicholas Howland and Thomas Hicks and they to make Report to next Monthly Meeting.

The young Couple that appeared at this meeting to lay their Intentions of marriage being Considered and friends not being unanimous in letting them pass by reason of their being so nigh in kind therefore said matter is Referred to next monthly meeting.

This meeting being Informed from the

12 mo 1773 Preparative meeting that Reuben Smith hath been and contracted marriage with a young woman not of our Society that belonged in a Distant Land and brought her home with him wherein his Conduct appears very disagreeable to friends principals and having Laboured with by one of the overseers and not giving Satisfaction for said misconduct therefore we do appoint Prince Allen & Jonathan Hussey to have the Care of that matter and Labour with him as they may find freedom & make Report when they have Discharged themselves.

The Treasurer is Directed to pay Timothy Russell [illegible] for half a years keeping the Meeting house and make Report to next mo meeting.

1 mo 1774 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 17th ye 1mo 1774 the Representatives are Wm Barker & Jonathan Hussey present.

The friends appointed to have the Care of that matter Respecting Peter Little Report that they are not fully Satisfyed in that matter therefore sd matter is Referred under their Care one month longer and then they to make Report.

All but one of the Committee Appointed in that Case between Daniel Cornal & Thos Smith Report that Said Smith Ought Publickly to Condemn his Reporting that Daniel Cornel was a fals man, which Report being Accepted & is as followeth,

Agreeable to the Appointment of the monthly meeting we have heard the matter Depending Between Daniel Cornal & Thomas Smith Respecting Sd Smiths Accusing Sd Cornal of Being a fals man and that he could prove it, We having heard Each parties pleas & allegations Respecting Said affair and it is our Judgment that the afforesd Accusation of Thomas Smith against Daniel Cornal is without Sufficient grounds, and that Thomas Smith ought publickly to Condemn his accusing sd Cornel of being a fals man.

Given forth and Signed this 27 Day ye 12mo 1773 }

Joseph [illegible] Benj Slocum
Seth Russell Wm Wood
Joseph Howland Abraham Howland
James Davis Barzillai Tucker

Therefore said Thomas Smith is now looked upon as an offender therefore we do appoint our friends Abraham Tucker Wm Sandford Joseph Tucker & John Williams to Labour with him in order that he may Condemn his Disorder and they to make Report to next mo meeting.

The friends Appointed to have the Care of that matter Respecting Richard Peckham Report that they Discharged themselves on that Account and they have draughted a paper of Denial against sd Peckham, which was Signed by the Clerk & the Clerk is ordered to Read sd paper at ye Close of a first days meeting for worship before next monthly meeting & then make Report, it is as followeth.

Whereas Richard Peckham a member of this meeting, hath for want of adhearing to the measure of Light and Grace in his own Heart, So far Deviated from the good order Established Amongst us as to fall into the Sin of fornication as appears by his wives

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having a Child soon after marriage, and Likewise hath married his first Cousin the which is Contrary to [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] after our Labour of love we think we are clear to disown the sd Richard Ketcham from being a member of our Society Untill it may please God to Show him his Error and by an [illegible] [illegible] he manifest to our Society & [illegible]. Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th Day of the first month 1774.

Signed in and on behalf of sd meeting by
William Anthony jur Clerk.

Abraham Tucker Informs that he desires to be Continued one month Longer in discharging himself with Ebenezer Mosher as appointed.

The friends appointed to take an opportunity with Wm Russell Report that he gave them a degree of Satisfaction yet the Receiving his paper is Referred to next Monthly Meeting.

Francis Allen & his son Thomas hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning their taking the oath in form which is Accepted provided they cause sd paper to be Read publickly at the close of a first Days meeting before next Monthly Meeting & Return sd paper and Report of its being Read.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all Attended Except Thos Hicks, and he sent his Excuse which was Accepted. And they have Produced an Epistle from sd Quarterly meeting which hath been Read and the [illegible] and [illegible] therein Carefully Recommended to friends Notice & Observation.

The Treasurer Reports that he has paid Timothy Russell 5 Dollors as order'd.

Gideon Howland & Catharine Slocum [illegible]

Gideon Howland and Catharin Slocum appeared in this meeting in order to Lay their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and the matter of their being nigh in kind hath been weightily considered and the circumstances relating thereto, and as they have so far concluded in that relation before our yearly meeting minute of 1772 was made in regard to marriages so nigh in kind and they were ignorant as they say that it was contrary to the order of friends when they so contracted and that cannot now willingly desist, therefore this meeting doth permit them to pass tho it is not fully Satisfactory to this meeting neither is it made a precedent but is at this time suspended for the reasons aforesaid. Therefore Gideon Howland 2nd and Catharine Slocum declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer and Benjamin Slocum and William Barker are appointed to Enquire into the young mans Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation & Report to next monthly meeting.

Deliverance Smith hath Exhibited a Complaint against Elijah Russell for Refusing to Submit a Controversy to men, therefore we do appoint William Barker and Prince Allen to Labour with him as they may find freedom & Report to next Monthly Meeting.

The Committee Appointed to Visit those friends that possess Slaves made Report to this meeting which is Accepted

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Report of
Com. [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

And is as followeth ——— We the Subscribing [illegible] appointed [illegible] [illegible] of this meeting [illegible] [illegible] Signifying that [illegible] Slavery and Continue with them to do justice to their fellow Creatures, by Discharging them from a State of bondage and Slavery, And William Sandford [illegible] Discharged his Negro. [illegible] [illegible] to Comply with our advice. Peleg Slocum Says he Refuses yet [illegible] that he [illegible] at the age of [illegible] they [illegible] [illegible] to Secure his Estate. John [illegible] under age that is now in a State of Slavery but he gives Encouragement that he Should [illegible] at a Suitable age [illegible] [illegible] Encouragement to free his Negro.

Given forth by your Committee this 17th ye 1 mo 1774.

Benja Howland 2nd
[illegible] Tucker
Samuel Smith
James Davis.

And those friends mentioned in the above said Report that Continue Slaves in bondage are Desired to Comply with the [illegible] in that Case and if not they may Expect to be Disowned, and we appoint our friends Joseph Gifford William Sandford William Anthony Jr and Benjamin Howland 2nd to let them know the mind of this meeting & make Report to next Mo Meeting.

This meeting Collected £8"16s"0d [illegible].

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth [illegible] ye 2 mo 1774 the Representatives are William Anthony Jr & Samuel Smith both present. The friends that had the Care of that matter Respecting Barker Little Report that they are not fully Satisfied to Receive his paper yet therefore they are Still Continued in that Service and to make Report to next monthly meeting.

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the paper of Denial against Richard Peckham as ordered.

The Receiving of William Russell paper is Refered one month Longer in order to Discover his Sincerity & Samuel Smith and William Anthony anthony jur are appointed to have the Care of that matter and make Report to next monthly meeting.

Tho. Smith
[illegible]

The Committee appointed to Labour with Thomas Smith Report that he gave them no Incouragement of Condemning his Disorder agreable to the Judgment of this meeting therefore we do hereby Disown the Said Thos Smith from being a member of this meeting, and we do appoint our friends Thomas Hicks & Prince Allen to Draught a paper of Denial against Sd Thomas Smith and bring it next Mo Meeting and likewise Inform Sd Smith of his Denial & his Right of Appeal and Report to next monthly meeting.

Abraham Tucker Reports that he fully answer'd his Appointment by Informing Ebinezer Mosher of his Denial.

2 mo. 1774 Frances Allen & Thomas Allen made no Report of their paper being Read as Directed, therefore the matter is Refered one month Longer and James Davis is appointed to Inform them of their neglect on that account and to Inform them that the meeting Expects them to make Report as orderd last mo meeting.

This meeting not being unanimous in letting Simon Hathaway and [illegible] Slocum have their answer by reason of their being nigh in kind therefore we Concluded to send the matter to the Quarterly meeting for advice.

The Committee appointed to Labour with [illegible] Russell Reports that she Concludes to leave sd Controversy to men and sd Committee are continued to See that it is Completed and make Report to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that possess Slaves desire to be continued one month longer and those friends are looked upon as offenders that hath not Complied with ye tenth Query.

This meeting Collected £9..1..0 old tenor

3 mo 1774 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 21st

3 mo 1774 The representatives are Wm Anthony junr & Benja Howland Junr present.

The matters Respecting Barker Little & William Russell is Referd one month Longer under the Same friends Care as heretofore in order to Discover their Sincerity.

The Committee appointed to draw a paper of Denial against Thomas Smith and Inform him of his Denial & Right of appeal Reports that they Discharged themselves according to their appointment and this meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial against Thos Smith and the Reading of it Publickly is deferd by reason the sd Smith requests an appeal to the Quarterly meeting which this meeting grants, and Thos Hicks is appointed to Inform him that we grant him an appeal to sd Quarterly meeting and Report to next mo meeting. (the paper is as follows)

Whereas Thomas Smith having a birth right and his Education among friends & being deviating the testimony of truth So far as to Publickly Declare that Daniel Cornel was a fals man [illegible] of his Declaration and friends having Repeatedly Laboured with him in Love in order to restore him to the way of truth, but our Labour of love not having the Desired Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for the clearing of truth and friends from the Reproach of such proceedings this meeting is concerned to give this forth as a testimony against him & do hereby Publickly Disown him the sd Thos Smith from being one of our Society and from under the care of friends Notwithstanding Desiring if it be agreeable with divine pleasure that he may yet be Restored from the Evil of his way & by unfeigned Repentance Return to the way of truth.

Given forth by our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 21st Day ye 3 mo 1774 and Signed in & on behalf of sd meeting.

by Wm Anthony junr Clerk.

James Davis Reports that he Informed

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Francis Allen as ordered and they have not made Report at this meeting therefore the matter is referd one month longer under the Care of James Davis and then he to make Report.

The matter Respecting Elijah Russell being not fully Settled therefore it is Referd as heretofore and the Committee to make Report when Ready.

The matter Respecting those living [illegible] Prissey Davis is Referd one month longer under the Care of the Same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report.

This Meeting Concludes to Discontinue the meeting that was held on the fourth day Preceding Sandwich yearly meeting when it happeneth in the Same week with the monthly meeting.

This meeting Concludes that all our meetings for Worship begin at the Eleventh hour.

this meeting Collected £3..8..3

This meeting adjourns to the first Six Day in next mo after the meeting for Worship.

This Meeting met by adjournment ye 1st Day ye 4 mo 1774 the Representatives being Called both Present.

The friends appointed to have the oversight of that meeting at Seaford made Report that they generally Attended sd meeting And that it was kept up in some good degree orderly, and the friends at Seaford still Request to hold a meeting for worship there which this meeting grants as followeth Said meetings to be held Every first Day of the week also on Every sixth day of the week Except in those weeks that our Monthly meeting Preparative & youths meetings are and to Continue till the third month next, and David Shepherd and James Davis are Appointed to have the Care and Oversight of sd meeting & make Report at the Expiration thereof.

Jacob Chase Requests a Removal Certificate for himself and Children to the monthly meeting of [illegible], and we do Appoint Barzillai Tucker & Barnabas Mosher to make the necessary Enquiry in that matter and Draw one for him if the think proper and bring it next monthly meeting.

Charles Russell hath given a paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into the Sin of fornication, therefore we appoint Samuel Smith & Prince Allen to have the care of that matter in order to Discover his Sincerity and Report to next mo meeting.

Ephraim Tripp hath given in paper to this meeting Condemning some misconduct of his therefore we Appoint Barzillai Tucker and Prince Allen to have the Care of that matter in Regard to the young mans Sincerity in that matter & Report to next monthly meeting.

Gideon Gifford hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his marrying out of the Unity of friends and we Appoint our friends Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker to take an Opportunity of Solid Conference with him in order to Discover his

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Zedediah Allen Informs that he hath thoughts of Going and Removing from hence and Desires the Advice of this Meeting and we do appoint our friends [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] Howland to Advise with him as they may think proper.

The Queries were Read & Answers thereto prepared and an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting was Read & Signed by the Clerk and Sent with the Answers to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Tucker Wm Anthony, Thos Hicks Wm [illegible] & Prince Allen and they to make [illegible] to next mo meeting.

Samuel Smith Thos Hicks Prince Allen & Wm Anthony or are appointed to Review & correct the monthly meeting minutes in order that they may go to Record and make Report to next mo meeting.

4 mo 1774 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 18th ye 4th mo 1774 the Representatives are Thomas Hicks & Samuel Smith both Present.

The matters Respecting Barker Little & Wm Russell is Referred one month Longer under the same friends as heretofore in order to discover their Sincerity & also to See if they duly attend meetings and then they to make Report.

Thomas Hicks Reports that he Informed Thos Smith as ordered last monthly meeting.

Francis Allen made Report of his paper & his Son Thomas being Read and is Received.

(Not Recorded in the original records.)

The matter Respecting those friends that Possess Slaves is Referred one month Longer under the same friends Care as heretofore.

[illegible] This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for Jacob Chase and Children to the monthly meeting of Acoaksit.

The matter Respecting [illegible] [illegible] is Referred to next mo meeting under the care of the same friends as before they not having discharged themselves for a further proof of his and they to make Report to next mo meeting.

The matter of Receiving Ephraim Tripps paper is also Referred to next mo meeting under the Care of the Same friends for a further proof of her Sincerity and they to make Report to sd meeting.

The friends appointed to Confer with Gideon Gifford Report that he gave them Some Degree of Satisfaction but the Receiving his paper is Referred to next monthly meeting under the Same friends as heretofore & then they to make Report.

4 mo 1774 The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that all attended Except Jonathan Hussey & he Sent his Reasons for his not attending which was accepted and they have produced an Epistle from sd meeting which was read & well accepted and the Salutary advice therein Carefully to be observed and recommended to Each individual.

The friends appointed to Revise and Correct the meetings minutes in order to go on Record Report they have fulfilled their appointment and left them with Wm Anthony Jr to go on Record.

Willm Anthony Jr Clerk This meeting appoints our friend William Anthony Jr Clerk of this meeting in the Room of our Esteemed friend Jno Russell deceased, and we do hereby Ratify and Confirm what sd Anthony hath done as Clerk Since the Decease of sd Jno Russell.

The Overseers have Informed that Paul Russell hath been guilty of [illegible] himself in the Military [illegible] at Roger Rotches also of being with an Entertaining Company at Prince [illegible] and the Overseers have Labored with him for said misconduct and he hath given in a paper Condemning the Same. We conclude to appoint our friends Abraham Tucker [illegible] Tucker Joseph Barker & Jonathan Hussey to have the care of that matter and make Report to next monthly meeting.

Whereas Sundry of this meetings members Removed and about to Remove within the Compass of the Nine partners monthly meeting (Namely) Jonathan Smith and Phebe his wife Benja Russell & family Stephen Smith & Children David Anthony & family and it appearing Necessary that they have Certificates therefore we appoint our friends Jonathan Hussey Prince Allen Samuel Smith William Anthony Jr Thos Hicks to Join the overseers & make the Necessary Inquiry on that account and draw Certificates if they find things Clear and bring them to next Mo meeting.

Daniel Cornal informs that he Desires Some Service in Regard to his [illegible] & Removing from hence, and we do appoint our friends Thomas Hicks William Sandford and Joseph Gifford for that purpose.

We appoint Prince Allen & William Anthony Jr to Settle Accounts with the Treasurer & also with Thos Smith in behalf of this meeting & Report to next monthly meeting. they are also to Receive & Examine all accounts that Stands against this meeting and bring the Sum total to next monthly meeting.

This meeting hath Collected ten pounds four Shillings & 7 old tennor.

5 mo 1774 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 16th ye 5 mo 1774 the Representatives are Thos Hicks & Samuel Smith both present.

The matter Respecting Barker Little & William Russell is Referd to next monthly meeting under the Same

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friends care as heretofore and then they to make Report

Isaac Howland [illegible] — Isaac Howland 2nd hath Signed a bill of Manimission for his Negro man [illegible] and Delivered to this meeting which this meeting accepts.

The matter Respecting Peleg Slocum & [illegible] Russell in Regard their freeing their Slaves is Refered by reason of some [illegible] of Complying, one month longer under the same friends care as heretofore, and also the matter Respecting Joseph Russell in regard [illegible] is Refered by the Request of [illegible] Abraham Tucker & John Tiler and they to make Report when [illegible] Russell Returns home from his Journey.

The matter Respecting Charles Russell is Refered under the Care of the Same friends as heretofore and they to make Report when Ready as sd Russell is gone from home.

The matter Respecting Receiving Ephrim Tripp & Gideon Gifford paper is Refered one month longer under the Same friends care as heretofore and then they to make Report.

The matter Respecting Paul Russells paper is Refered one month longer under the Same friends care as heretofore.

[illegible] Certs for Jon^a Smith & wife - David Anthony & wife & Children — This meeting hath Signed Certificates for Jonathan Smith & Wife and David Anthony & Wife & Children to the Monthly Meeting of the Nine Partners.

Prince [illegible] & William Anthony Jr [illegible] Report to this meeting as followeth which is Accepted.

According to appointment we have settled accompts with the Treasurer and Remain in the stock £ 0..0..0 [illegible]

Due to Benj^a Allen	11..14..4 L.mo
Due to Benj^a Smith Jur for keeping Alice Smith from the 23th ye 10 mo 1773 to the 4th ye 4 mo 1774	5..7..4 L.mo
Due to Thomas Hicks for Repairing meeting house	3..3..11 L.mo
Due to Timothy Russell	0..4..0
	20..9..7 L.mo

and also we have Settled with Thos Smith and paid him in full of all his Demandes

Dartmouth the 16th ye 5 mo 1774 pr

William Anthony Jur
Prince Allen

[illegible] — This meeting Signed a few lines for Jonathan Hussey by way of Certificate to the [illegible] he is about to [illegible].

The [illegible] the same friends as heretofore to a new Certificate for Benj^a [illegible] & Wife [illegible] and their Children and make Report when Ready.

This meeting Collected £12..11..4 O.T.

The Treasurer is Ordered to pay Benj^a Allen £20 old tennor and Report to next mo meeting.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 20th ye 6 mo 1774 the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Prince Allen both present.

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The matter Respecting [illegible] [illegible] is Refered to next monthly meeting for further [illegible] under the care of the Same friends as before.

The matter in Regard to [illegible] is Refered to next monthly meeting for further tryal of his Sincerity under the care of Prince Allen & [illegible] and they to make Report.

Likewise the case of [illegible] is Refered to next monthly meeting under the care of Joseph Tucker & Abraham Tucker and then they to make Report.

The matters Respecting John Russell & Peleg Slocum in regard to their freeing their Negroes is Refered one month longer under the care of Joseph Gifford, William Sandford and Samuel Smith by reason of Incouragment of Compliance, and then they to make Report.

The [illegible] Reported [illegible] Prince Allen the mony as ordered last mo meeting.

[illegible]

Our friend [illegible] hath Visited this meeting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting of [illegible] in the County of York Dated the 19th ye 3mo 1773 also one from ye Quarterly meeting held at York the 24th & 25th ye 3mo 1773 with a Concurring one from the yearly meeting of Ministers & Elders held in London from the 29th ye 5mo to the 7th of ye 6mo 1773 all which were read to Satisfaction and her Visit kindly accepted.

The matter in Regard to Paul Russell is Refered to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as before for a further tryal of his Sincerity and then they to make Report.

Humphry Smith 2nd Informs that he is about to Remove with his family to East [illegible] and desires our Certificate thereto. Joseph Tucker Prince Allen & Samuel Smith are appointed to make the necessary Inquiry and draw one if they think proper and bring it to next monthly meeting.

Micajah Wood hath given in a paper condemning his marrying out of the Unity of friends. We also appoint our friends Barzillai Tucker & Wm [illegible] to confer with him on that Account in order to Discover his Sincerity and make Report to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] Robinson

Our friend Elisabeth Robinson hath Visited this meeting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Richmond in Yorkshire bearing date ye 4th ye 3mo 1773 with one of Concurrance from the Quarterly meeting held at York ye 24th 25 of the 3mo 1773 and another of Concurrance from the Yearly meeting of ministers and Elders held at London from ye 29th ye 5mo to the 7th of ye 6th mo 1773 all which were Read to Satisfaction and her Visit & Testimony well accepted.

[illegible]

Likewise our friend Susanah Lightfoot hath Visit us with her her Certificate from the Monthly meeting held at Uchlon Chester County in Pensylvania Dated 9th of the 6mo 1774 whose Visit very Kindly accepted.

The Queries and Answers thereto were read and an Epistle Sign'd for the Quarterly meeting and Ordered

6th mo 1774 friends to this meeting [illegible] Barzillai Tucker Wm Anthony jr & [illegible] and they to make Report to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] friends request to have two meetings for Worship on first Days which is Granted untill the monthly meeting in the tenth month next, Said meetings to begin in the forenoon at the 10 hour and in the afternoon at the 3d hour.

Giles Slocum hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into the Reproachful Sin of fornication and we appoint our friends Samuel Smith [illegible] Gifford Joseph Barker Wm Barker Seth Russell to have an opportunity of Conference with said Slocum in order to Discover his Sincerity and make Report to next monthly meeting.

This meeting adjourned [illegible]

7 mo 1774 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 18th ye 7mo 1774 the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Prince Allen both present.

The matter Respecting [illegible] is Referred to next month under the care of the same friends as heretofore & then they to make Report.

The matter Respecting Barker Little is Referd to next mo meeting under the care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report.

The matter Respecting [illegible] is Referd to next monthly meeting under the Care of Prince Allen & Barzillai Tucker, John Potter & Caleb Russell and they to Report next monthly meeting.

The matter Respecting Gideon Gifford is Referd to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same [illegible] as heretofore and then they to make Report.

The matters Respecting John Russell & Peleg Slocum [illegible] its Referd to next monthly meeting under the Care of the Same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report.

The matter in Regard to Paul Russell is Referd to next monthly meeting under the same friends Care as heretofore and then they to make Report.

The friends appointed to [illegible] a Certificate for [illegible] Report that they have [illegible] the Business therefore they are Still Continued for that purpose and to make Report to next monthly meeting.

The matter Respecting Micajah Wood is Referd to next mo meeting under the care of the Same friends as before and then they to make Report.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that all attended and have Produced an Epistle from the Same which was Read & well accepted.

The [illegible] was Read in this meeting and as it Contains much [illegible] Advice & Instruction Pertinant to [illegible]

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[illegible] as the matter of our meeting [illegible].

A Minute of our Last Yearly meeting Epistle was then read and [illegible] the Committee Reporting on the Sitting monthly meeting [illegible] the Yearly meeting of the Quarterly meeting against David and Thos Smith and as to the matter of Gideon Howland & Katherine Slocum marriage, it is Recommended that we Strictly adhear to the Rules of the Society in that Respect.

A Transcript of the London Written Epistle for the Last year was Likewise read in this meeting and the Salutary advice therein well accepted and a Transcript of the Epistle from the Yearly meeting of Philadelphia was read to good Satisfaction.

The matter in Regard to Giles Slocum is Referd to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as heretofore and Jonathan [illegible] & John [illegible] are added to them and they to make Report to next mo Meeting.

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid two Dollars it being the Remainder for one of Sewels History.

We appoint [illegible] Smith & Prince Allen to finish the minutes made against [illegible] Smith and brought a paper of Denial against him if they think proper when the minute is inspected and bring it to next monthly meeting.

Clement
Biddle and
Rebecca Cornel
intentions

Clement Biddle of Philadelphia and Rebecca Cornel Declared their Intentions of taking Each other in Marriage and were Desird to wait until next monthly meeting for their Answer.

Daniel Cornal Desird a Removal Certificate for him Self and Children under age to ye Mo. meeting of ye Nine partners, therefore we appoint Thos Hicks and William Anthony jur to make the necessary and to Draw one for him if they think it and bring it to next monthly meeting.

This meeting hath Concluded to come to a Subscription being in Debt money to the amount of twenty five pounds Lawful money and our friends Caleb Russell Prince Allen William Wood Abraham Howland & Benjn Slocum are Appointed to Receive & to pay the Same into the Treasury of this meeting and make report of their Doings with the Same as Soon as they Conveniently can.

This meeting hath Collected £13 " 1 " 3d old tennor.

This meeting hath Received three books of Robert Barkley & William Penns works from our yearly meeting which is for the use of friends in General.

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1774

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 15th ye 8mo 1774 the Representatives are Prince Allen & Thos Hicks, present.

The matter Respecting William Russell is Referd to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as heretofore, and they are Desird to Inform him that friends are not willing to Riew his paper by reason of his Slackness of attending meetings.

The matter Respecting Benker Little is Referd to next mo meeting under the Care of Jonathan Hussey & Seth Russell and then to make Report.

The matter Respecting Ephraim [illegible]

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is Referd to next monthly meeting under the Same friends Care as heretofore and then they to make Report.

The friends that had the Care of that matter in regard to Gideon Gifford [illegible] Report one month longer therefore Sd matter is Referd under Sd friends care and then they to make Report.

The matter in Regard to John Russell & Peleg Slocum giving their Reasons not being yet fully Compleated therefore Sd matter is Referd one month Longer under the Same friends care as heretofore and then they to make Report.

Humphrey Smith's [illegible]

This meeting hath Signed Removal Certificates for Humphrey Smith his Wife and Children to the monthly meeting at the Nine partners.

The matter Respecting Paul Russell is Referd to next monthly meeting under the Same friends Care as heretofore and then they to make Report.

The matter in Regard to Elijah [illegible] is Referd under the Care of Benjamin Tucker Benjamin Rider and John Williams to next monthly meeting & then they to make Report.

The Committee that had the care of the matter Respecting Giles Slocum desire the matter to be Referd which is Referd to next monthly meeting & then they to make Report.

David Smith [illegible]

This meeting hath Signed a Paper of Denial against David Smith and the Clerk is Directed to read it publickly at the Close of a first day meeting for worship and make Report to next monthly meeting. (the Paper is as follows)

Whereas David Smith of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England having Long made Profession with us & been a member of our monthly meeting of Dartmouth But for want of [illegible] and Giving way to a Contentious mind and [illegible] Deviation from our Profession and Principles, Though some of the friends of our meeting were [illegible] in much love in order to [illegible] him to unity with his Brethren again, But he Refusing to Comply there with Therefore for the Clearing of Truth and friends from the Reproach of such a Contentious Person, This meeting is Concerned to Give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him Disowning him the said David Smith from being a member of our Society untill by Repentance he shall be Restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth at our Mo meeting held on 15th day of ye 8th mo 1774
Signed in and on behalf of Sd meeting
by Wm Anthony jur Clerk.

Clement Biddle hath Produced a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Philadelphia Certifying that he is a member of their meeting & Clear of marriage Entanglements Engagements as far as they know. Therefore Clement Biddle and Rebecca Cornell appeared for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting Advising with the Overseers this meeting Shall appoint for that purpose And Caleb Russell

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Jonathan Russell is appointed for to see the said marriage Con-summated in good order and make Report to next monthly meeting.

Daniel Brown and family removed

This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting of Nine Partners for our friend Daniel Brown and his Children under age.

We appoint our friends Thomas Hicks Prince Allen William Anthony jr and Samuel Smith to draw removal Certificates for all the friends that have removed to Saratoga that are in unity [illegible] [illegible] make Report to next monthly meeting. Also also to draw one for [illegible] [illegible] his wife and Children all to be directed to the Monthly meeting of Nine partners.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy [illegible] two dollars for half years keeping the meetinghouse.

This meeting hath Collected £11..10..11 old tennor.

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1774

At a Monthly meeting held at [illegible] the 19th of 9mo 1774 the Representatives are William Sanford & Thos Hicks present.

The matter Respecting [illegible] is Referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before and then they to make Report.

The matter Respecting [illegible] is Referred to next Mo meeting under the Care of the Same friends as before and then they to make Report.

Ephraim Tripp disowned

Whereas Ephraim Tripp hath long [illegible] under Dealing and the matter having been under the care of a Committee for a long time and now said Committee Report that they have found no Satisfaction, therefore we hereby disown the said Ephraim Tripp from being a member of our Society, and Prince Allen & Thos Hicks is appointed to draw a public Testimony against him and bring it to next monthly meeting and also to Shew him a Coppy of the minute made against him.

The matter Respecting [illegible] Tripp is Referred to next monthly meeting under the care of Joseph Tucker & William Mosher and then they to make report.

John Russell [illegible]

John Russell hath Signed and delivered to this meeting Two Bills of Manumission one for a Negro Woman named Luce and one for Negro gall named Vilot which this meeting Accepts. And Peleg Slocum not fully Complying with friends Request in Regard to freeing his Negroes, therefore the matter is Referred under the same friends care as heretofore to next monthly meeting & then they to make Report.

Paul Russell disowned

Whereas Paul Russell having been under dealing and the matter hath been long under the care of a Committee & now the greater part of Sd Committee (the other being absent) Report that they found no Satisfaction therefore we hereby disown the said Paul Russell from being a member of our Society and Prince Allen & Thomas Hicks are appointed to draw a publick Testimony against Sd Russell & bring it to next monthly meeting

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also shew him a Coppy of this minute.

This meeting hath signed a removal certificate to the monthly meeting of the Nine partners for the following friends (viz) Shadrach Dennis his Wife and Children, [illegible] with his Wife and Children.

Removal certif. Shadrac Dennis and family & [illegible] and family and Rebecca Biddle

This meeting hath also signed a Removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of Philadelphia for Rebecca [illegible] wife of Clement Biddle.

The matter Respecting Micajah Wood is referred to next mo. meeting under the care of Benjamin Tucker and [illegible] Joseph Barker & Prince Allen and then they to make Report.

The committee appointed on account of [illegible] Slocum desire the matter to be referred to next mo. meeting and then they to make Report.

The Clerk reports that he hath [illegible] testimonies against David and Thos Smith as ordered.

This meeting collected £11..8..0 old tenor.

This meeting adjourns to the last first day in this month after the meeting of worship.

This meeting meet according to adjournment ye [illegible] of ye 9 mo 1774 the representatives being called both present.

The friends appointed to see [illegible] & Rebecca [illegible] marriage accomplished report that said marriage was accomplished orderly except the young woman appearing with her bonnet on in time of marriage [illegible] that she did it [illegible] friends advise [illegible] on such occasions women take off their bonets.

Joseph Russell hath [illegible] from the [illegible] Namely [illegible] reasons hath been read in this meeting & accepted.

The Treasurer reports he hath paid Timothy Russell five dollars for keeping the meeting house [illegible]

The queries were read in this meeting and answers thereto were approved & sent with the Epistle, which was Signed in this meeting to the Quarterly meeting, and our friend [illegible] was Recommended as a member [illegible] meeting of ministers & Elders.

[illegible]

Our friends [illegible] Tucker Wm Anthony are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and present the Epistle with the [illegible] and make report next mo. meeting.

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1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th ye 10 mo 1774 the Representatives are Joseph Barker & Prince Allen both present.

The matter Respecting Wm Russell is Referred to next mo. meeting under the care of the Same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report.

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1774

One of the Committee appointed on account of Barker Little Reports that they hant had an Opportunity with him and Desire the matter Refered therefore Sd matter is Refered untill next mo. meeting under their Care and then they to make Report.

Prince Allen & Thos Hicks hath Answered their appointment and brought Testimonies against Ephrem Tripp & Paul Russell which were Signd by the Clerk and Sd Clerk is ordered to read Sd Testimonies at the Close of a first days meeting at Some Convenient time after the time of appeal is out & then make Report.

The Committee appointed on account of Simeon Gifford Report that they have So much Satisfaction as they are willing to Receive his paper therefore this meeting Concludes to accept Sd paper which is as followeth;

To the Preparative & monthly meeting of friends.

Whereas I have Married Out of the unity of friends & taken such steps contrary to the good order Established among them, which breach of Disorder I am Sorrow for and do Condemn the Same and Desire friends So far to pass by mine offence as to let me Remain under their Care from your friend

Dartmouth ye 3d ye 3 mo 1774. Simeon Gifford

The Committee appointed in the affair of Peleg Slocum made no Report therefore the matter respecting Peleg Slocum freeing his Negroes is Refered untill next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as heretofore & Joseph Tucker & Abraham Tucker is added to them and they to Report to next monthly meeting.

Mary [illegible] and [illegible] The women Inform that they have Signed Papers of Denial against Mary Cornal & Eliz[illegible] Tucker which this meeting approveth of & the Clerk hath Signed Sd Papers also.

Whereas Micajah Ross hath been under dealing for marrying out of the unity of friends and the matter been under the consideration of a Committee for some time and they Report that said Ross's Conduct hath been disagreeable in reporting a Scandalous story about Edith Smith wife of Humphry Smith of Dart and not inclining to Condemn the Same to friends Satisfaction therefore we hereby disown him the said Ross from being a member of our Society and Benjn Rider & Prince Allen are appointed to Draw a Testimony against him & bring it to next mo meeting also to Shew him a Coppy of this minute and inform of his Right of appeal and make Report to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed on account of Peleg Slocum Desire the matter Refered which is Refered under the Same friends Care as heretofore unto next monthly meeting & then they to make Report.

The Treasurey Reports that he hath paid the mony to the Representatives as ordered last monthly meeting.

The Representatives Report that they all attended the Quarterly meeting, also we Received an Epistle from Sd meeting with an Printed one from Philadelphia which were Read & kindly accepted.

David Shepherd jur Requests a few

[illegible] 1774 [illegible] to the mo meeting of Smithfield [illegible] respecting [illegible] with [illegible] & [illegible] are appointed for that purpose & they to Report to next mo meeting. [illegible] Requests one of the like to ye mo meeting of Coakset & Prince Allen & Thos Hicks are appointed to take the necessary Care on that account & Report next monthly meeting.

This meeting Collected 8£ 5s 3d old Tenor.

11 mo 1774 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 21st [illegible] ye 11 mo 1774 the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Wm Mosher both Present.

The matter Respecting William Russell is Referred to next mo meeting under the care of the same friends as before and then they to make Report.

Some of the Committee that had the care of that matter respecting [illegible] Report that they [illegible] themselves on that account therefore the matter is still Referred to next mo meeting under their care & then they to make Report.

Peleg Slocum frees Slaves. Peleg Slocum hath Signed & Delivered to this meeting two Bills of Manumission one for a Negro man named Cesor & one for a Negro man Named London which this meeting accepts.

Micajah Wood [illegible] This meeting hath Signed a Testimony against Micajah Wood and the Clerk is ordered to read the same [illegible] at the close of a first Days meeting for Worship at some Convenient time before next monthly meeting & then make Report. Testimony is as followeth,

Whereas Micajah Wood hath had his Education amongst friends and Disregarding the testimony of truth so far as to marry out from amongst friends and also reporting a Scandalous Story about Edith Smith wife of Humphry Smith all which friends having Laboured with him in love in order to Restore him to the way of truth, but our Labour of love not having its Desired Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for the clearing of Truth and friends from the Reproach of such Practices this meeting is Concerned to give this forth against him the said Micajah Wood and do hereby Publickly Disown him from being one of our Society [illegible] friends. Nevertheless Desiring if it be agreeable with Divine Pleasure that he yet may be Restored from the Evil of his ways and by unfeigned Repentance Return to the way of Truth.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21 Day ye 11 month 1774 and Signed in and on behalf of sd meeting
by Wm Anthony Jr Clerk.

This meeting appoints Prince Allen Joseph Gifford and Caleb Russell to Inform all the Negroes Manumitted by friends belonging to this meeting that they are set at liberty and advise with them as they think proper.

The Committee appointed on that affair of [illegible] Slocum desire that matter Referred one month longer as they are not fully ready to make Report therefore ye matter is Referred to next mo meeting under their care & then they to make Report.

This meeting hath Signed a Certificate for David Shepherd Jr to ye monthly meeting of Smithfield [illegible]

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his Removing [illegible] meeting also one of the like kind for [illegible] to the monthly meeting of [illegible].

Remove certificate [illegible] — This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for Jeremiah Allen his wife and Children to the Monthly meeting of Nine Partners, Likewise one for Isaac Sandford & Children to Sd mo meeting and Likewise one for Benja Russell his wife & Children to Sd mo meeting Likewise one for William Smith & Children to Sd mo meeting.

The year being Expired of the Service of the Overseers Likewise the Overseers of ye Poor yet the Same are still Continued in that Service till next monthly meeting and the Choice of Sd Overseers is Referred to next mo meeting.

This meeting Concludes that all our meetings for worship do begin at the [illegible] hour Except [illegible] and to Continue so until the monthly meeting in the fourth month next; and then all our meetings to begin at the [illegible] hour until our yearly meeting in the year.

The Overseers Inform that Caleb Green and [illegible] his wife, married out of the Unity of friends and that Sd Green hath married his first Cousin and the Overseers having Laboured with them for the Same (who they were Previously Cautioned to Desist) and they Decline to Condemn their Transgression Therefore [illegible] next monthly meeting.

Isaac Smith disowned. — The Overseers Inform that Isaac Smith hath married out of the Unity of friends and [illegible] being cautioned to Desist, Therefore we do Disown him the Said Isaac Smith from being in membership & from under the Care of this meeting.

This meeting Collected £5 - 1s - 11d O.T.

12 mo 1774.

At a Monthly Meeting Held in Dartmouth the 19th of 12mo 1774 The Representatives are Wm Ricketson & Barzillai Tucker present.

Appointment of Overseers — Our friends William Mosher Thomas Hicks Benjamin Howland and James Davis William Anthony Jun are appointed Overseers for the year Ensuing and John Williams and Prince Allen is nominated and Referred for the Consideration of one month.

Our friends Joseph Barker Gideon Howland Abraham Tucker and Caleb Russell Barzillai Tucker David Shepherd Philip Allen Benjamin Rider are appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year Ensuing.

Elizabeth Briggs Received. — The Women friends Inform that they have Received Elizabeth Briggs a member of our Society which we Concur with.

The matter Respecting Wm [illegible] is Referred to next mo meeting under the Care of Samuel Smith & Prince Allen and then to make Report.

This meeting hath Concluded to accept of Barker Little and Wife's paper Provided they Cause Sd paper to be Read publickly at the End of a first days meeting for Worship and return Said Paper to next mo meeting.

The Clerk reports that he hath Read

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1774 [illegible]

This meeting [illegible]

[illegible]

5 Dollors for half years keeping the meeting house.

This meeting Adjourns to the 28th this Instant.

This meeting meet by Adjournment ye 28th the 12th mo 1774 the Representatives being called Barzillai Tucker present [illegible] this meeting accepts.

The Committee appointed on account of Giles Slocum made Report to this meeting which Report this meeting [illegible] therefore the same Committee [illegible] continued and [illegible] power them to settle the whole affair [illegible] this meeting and make Report to next monthly meeting.

The Matter Con[illegible] Report last monthly meeting to this meeting therefore we appoint our friends John Williams Caleb Russell and Benjamin [illegible] to Labour further with him and make Report to next monthly meeting. [illegible] to next monthly meeting.

This meeting [illegible] that there be an Inspection into the [illegible] our meeting house [illegible] this meeting being small therefore the choosing a committee on that account is Refered to next monthly meeting.

This meeting being informed that [illegible] hath been found in the Reproachful Evil of Joining with others in Stealing a watermelon from [illegible] also in [illegible] with a [illegible] company by war [illegible] unbecoming the truth Likewise he is [illegible] Likewise the overseers inform that William [illegible] hath [illegible] all which matters [illegible] hath Laboured with them for. and we appoint our friends Caleb Russell Prince Allen [illegible] Barzillai Tucker to Labour further with them on those accounts and Report next mo meeting.

1 mo
1775

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 16th of 1st mo 1775 the Representatives [illegible]

Prince Allen and John Williams [illegible] therefore they are still continued [illegible] the matter one month Longer and then to make Report.

This meeting accepts of William [illegible] paper the Committee on that account making Somewhat a Satisfactory Report concerning him.

[illegible] Little and wives paper not being Read by Reason of Disappointment therefore the matter is Refered and he is desired to [illegible] paper to be read as ordered before and Return it to next mo meeting.

1 mo.
1775.

Friends [illegible] Report, that the Treasurer [illegible] paid [illegible] the money as ordered last mo meeting.

The matter respecting Lidia Slocum is Refered to next mo meeting under the Care of the Same Committee as heretofore by their request and then they to make Report.

The Committee appointed on account of [illegible] [illegible] and Richard Sherman desire the matter Refered which is Refered to next mo meeting and Caleb Russell is dismissed from that Service at his request & [illegible] in his stead [illegible] [illegible] added in his Room and they to make Report next mo meeting.

Removal of
David Russell
& his wife

Removal Certificates for friends David Russell & his wife to Acoaksit monthly meeting were Signed at this meeting.

Jona Howland
and Mary Allen
[illegible]

Jonathan Howland and Mary Allen declared their Intention of marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly for their answer and Joseph Barker and William Anthony jun are appointed to Inquire into the young mans Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation and make Report to next monthly meeting.

Our friends Prince Allen Wm Anthony jun Samuel Smith Barzillia Tucker are appointed to Inspect into the State of our meeting house [illegible] and where they find any defect to mend and Strengthen the Same as they may think best and make Report when they have Accomplished the Same.

The Representatives Report that they all attended the Quarterly meeting According to appointment & have Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been Read & kindly Accepted.

The matters Respecting John Wood and Wm Haden are Refered to next monthly meeting on the account the Committee have not had opportunity to fulfill their appointment therefore they are Continued in that Service & to make Report to next mo meeting.

This meeting Collected 11..0..0 Old tenor which is Sent to the Treasury by Benjamin Smith jun.

2 mo.
1775.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 20th of 2nd mo. 1775 the Representatives are Jonathan [illegible] & Barzillia Tucker Present.

John Williams is appointed [illegible] in order to Join the Rest in that Service

This meeting is Informed that Barker Little and wives paper hath been Read as ordered & Returned to this meeting and is as followeth,

to The monthly Meeting of friends to be holden at Dartmouth the 15th the 11th month 1773.

Friends whereas we through the Insinuations of the Adversary have fallen into the gross Sin of fornication and brought a great Scandal upon our Profession for which we are sorry for and do Condemn hoping God will forgive us and friends So far pass by this offence with all other our offences as to let us still Remain under their Care.

Barker Little
Elisabeth Little.

2 mo
1775.

The Committee appointed on account of Caleb Green & Stephen Sherman jr & Isaac Smith Report that they Informed Sd Smith by writing and that Caleb Green gave them some Satisfaction and Sd Sherman gave in a paper to this meeting Concerning their misconduct they likewise Report in Regard to Stephen Sherman that they had an opportunity of Conference with him [illegible] [illegible] no Satisfaction [illegible] meeting Concluded to refer the matter Respecting Sd Green & Sd Sherman under the Care of Benjn Taber John Williams & Benjn Rider and they to make Report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Enquire into the Clearness of Jonathan Howland Report that they have made Inquiry and find nothing so material as to hinder his Proceeding.

Jonathan Howland and Mary Allen Appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in some Convenient time before next mo meeting advising with the overseers we shall appoint for that purpose and Stephen Barker & Wm Anthony jun to See their marriage Consummated in good order & make report next monthly meeting.

Thoms Nott [illegible] [illegible]

Thomas Nott and Anna Hathaway Declared their Intention of taking Each other in Marriage & were desired to wait until next monthly meeting for their Answer and William Wood & Benjamin Tucker are appointed to Inquire into Sd Notts Clearness in Regard to marriage & Conversation & make Report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Labour with John Wood and Wm Borden Report they have not fully accomplished something in that matter and Desire it to be Referred which is Referred to next monthly meeting and then they to make Report.

James Davis Desires a Certificate Signifying his Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation, to the Monthly meeting of Smithfield therefore David Shepherd and Benjamin Taber are appointed to take the necessary Care on that account and bring one to next monthly meeting if they find him Clear.

David Hart hath given in a Paper to this meeting Concerning his marrying out of the Unity of friends, and are appointed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to take an opportunity of Conference with him in order to [illegible] [illegible] and Report to next monthly meeting.

Chas Russell

The Committee appointed Some months past on account of [illegible] [illegible] Report that they have been to Visit him and that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Unity of friends [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] are appointed to Draught a Testimony against Sd Russell and bring it to next mo meeting also to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Caleb Russell Reports that he hath raised by way of Subscription as ordered some months past the Sum of Eight Pounds [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] which money was paid into the Treasury

This meeting ordered £13,,1,,4 old tenor which is Sent to the Quarterly by Prince Allen.

2 mo 1775 The Treasury is ordered to pay Benjamin Russell his demand on this meeting and those that have demands for repairing the meeting house and make report next mo. meeting.

Jonathan Hussey desires a Removal Certificate for himself his Wife & Children to the monthly meeting of Nine partners and we appoint William Sanford Wm Anthony jun and John Potter to take the necessary care on that account and also a line to prepare one accordingly if they think proper.

This meeting adjourns to the first Day of next month.

This meeting meet by adjournment ye first day 3 mo 1775 the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey and Fitzallen Tucker present.

The Clerk Reports that he hath read the Testimonys against Paul Russell & Ephraim Tripp as ordered Some months past and Returned their Testimony to this meeting.

William Barker and William Sanford are appointed [illegible] in the Room of Jonathan Hussey who is about to Remove from hence, together with Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker in that Service.

The Treasury is ordered to pay Benjamin Smith jun his bill against this meeting which was Inspected and Allowed Some time past and Report to next monthly meeting.

Whereas Paul Russell Son of Paul Russell having had his Education among friends and Disregarding the Testimony of Truth So far as to be found in Some abusive behaviour with Roger Mosher in the Night, and Likewise in Resorting with a Rude Company at Prince Potters house all which being appears by his own Confession and friends having tenderly Laboured with him in Love in order to Restore him to the way of Truth but our Labour of Love not having the desired Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for the Clearing of Truth and friends from the Reproach of such practises this meeting is Concerned to give this forth against him and we hereby publickly disown him the sd Paul Russell from being one of our Society and from under the Care of friends yet Nevertheless desiring if it be agreeable with Divine pleasure that he may yet be Restored from the Evil of his way and by unfeigned Repentance Return to the way of Truth.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th ye 10 mo 1774. and Signed in & on behalf of sd meeting by

Wm Anthony jun Clerk.

Whereas Ephraim Tripp Son of Wm Tripp Having had his Education amongst friends and Disregarding the Testimony of Truth So far as to be found in Some abusive behaviour with Roger Mosher in the Night Season and Likewise in Resorting with a Rude Company at Prince Potters house all which appears by his one Confession and friends having Repeated Laboured with him in love in order to Restore him to the way Truth but our labour of Love not having the Desired Effect

2 mo 1775 to giving Satisfaction therefore in the behalf of truth and friends from the Representatives of Dartmouth Monthly meeting it is Concluded to [illegible] him [illegible] Publicly Disown him the Said Ephraim Tripp from being one of our Society and from under the care of friends till he [illegible] coming to be in Condition with Divine Favour and [illegible] from the Evil of his ways and [illegible] to the [illegible] of Friends.

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th day of 10 mo 1774 [illegible] in and on behalf of the meeting by
Wm Anthony jr Clerk.

The Overseers of the Poor hath handed in a bill from Benjamin Smith jr for keeping Alice Smith to the amount of £4" 6" 8d Lawfull money which is Accepted.

Caleb Russell & Seth Russell are Appointed in the room of Jonathan Hussey to Joine Barzillia Tucker in having ye Care of that matter Respecting [illegible] among friends and make Report when Ready.

Content Tucker The Women Informs that they have received Content Tucker and that she [illegible] the meeting Approbation.

Jona Hussey and Content Tucker Jonathan Hussey jr & Content Tucker Laid their Intention of Marriage and were Desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer and William Sanford and [illegible] are appointed to Inquire into the young mans Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation and Report to next Mo. meeting.

3 mo 1775 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 20th 3mo 1775 the Representatives are Benja Howland 2nd & Samuel Smith present.

The Committee appointed on Account of Caleb Greene & Edward Thurston jr [illegible] as they have not [illegible] on those accounts [illegible] matter is referred under the Care of the Same Committee and [illegible] & Barzillia Tucker are added to them in that Service and they to make report next mo meeting.

The matter Respecting [illegible] hath not [illegible] Satisfaction therefore ye matter is referred under the Care of the Same Committee as heretofore and they to make Report to next monthly meeting.

One of the friends appointed to See the Marriage of Jonathan Howland & Mary Allen Consomated, Report that he attended ye marriage and saw nothing but what it was Consomated in a Degree Orderly, the Other friend hath rendered a Reasonable Excuse for his non Attendance.

The friends Appointed to Enquire into the Clearness of [illegible] respecting Marriage and Conversation Report that they find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage.

The friends appointed to Enquire into Jonathan Hussey jr Clearness made the Like Report that they find nothing to hinder.

Thomas Mott and Rhoda [illegible] and Jonathan Hussey jr & Content Tucker Appeared [illegible]

3 mo 1775

Which was that each couple might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this & the next monthly meeting advising with the overseers the meeting shall appoint for that purpose and Adam Gifford & Barzillai Tucker are appointed to see the marriage of Thos Mott & Rhoda Hathaway Solemnized orderly and Wm Gifford and John Potter are appointed for the same service with the other couple and all to make report next mo Meeting.

The matter respecting [illegible] and William Wilcox are Referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before and they to make report next mo meeting.

A certificate was signed in this meeting for James Davis to the Monthly meeting of Smithfield [illegible] his clearness in respect to marriage and conversation.

Freeborn Rider recommd [illegible]

This meeting hath signed and sent to the Quarterly meeting of Ministers and Elders a minute Recommending Freeborn Rider as a minister and member of the Select meeting.

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the meeting at Bedford Report that they have Generally attended sd meeting and that it was held and conducted in a good degree orderly and that they think it might be advantageous to continue the same, and the friends living there so generally request it to be continued one year longer which is granted accordingly and they to hold two meetings first days untill ye monthly meeting in the tenth month then one meeting on first Day and one on the Sixth day of the week and sd meeting to begin on ye 10th hour and on ye 3rd hour on the first day & at the 11th hour on Sixth Day, and our friends David Shepherd James Davis and Caleb Russell are appointed to have the oversight of sd meeting and to make Report at the expiration thereof.

This meeting Collected £6 - 11 - 6d old tennor.

This meeting Adjourns to the 29th Instant after the meeting of worship.

This meeting being met by Adjournment the 29th ye 3rd mo 1775 the Representatives are Benjamin Howland & Samuel Smith present.

Two of the friends appointed on account of [illegible] Report that he gave them some satisfaction yet they Desire the matter Referred which is also Referred under their Care and they to make Report next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath not paid all the money as ordered Last monthly meeting therefore he is still desired to accomplish that business and make Report to next mo. meeting.

This meeting hath Signed a Testimony against Charles Russell and the Clerk is ordered to Read sd Testimony at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship before next mo meeting and then make Report. Sd Testimony is as followeth,

Whereas Charles Russell having had his Education among friends, but thro Unwatchfulness and Disregarding the testimony of truth in his own heart hath so far deviated there[illegible]

3 mo 1775 [illegible] guilty of the [illegible] and hath manifested [illegible] out of the unity of friends and we have tenderly laboured with him in Love in order for his recovery therefore this meeting is concerned for the maintaining of our Christian Testimony and the clearing of the Profession thereof from the Reproach of such Enormous practices do hereby publickly disown him the sd [illegible] from being a member of our Religious Community and from under the care of this meeting untill by unfeigned Repentance he [illegible] which is the [illegible] he may find mercy with the Lord.

Given forth & signed in & on behalf of our mo meeting held in Dartmouth by adjournment 7th day 3 mo 1775
by Wm Anthony jur Clerk.

The Queries have been Read and Answered in this meeting and an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting read and signed & sent with sd Answers to sd Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are under named Benjamin Tucker [illegible] Williams Wm Mosher Wm Barker & Wm Anthony jur who are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and make Return next mo. meeting.

This meeting Adjourns to the 7th Day of next month.

This meeting being met by Adjournment ye 7th day of ye 4 mo 1775 the Representatives are Benjn Howland & Samuel Smith present.

Job Howland hath Exhibited a Complaint against Wm Wood wherein he Requests sd Wood to Leave an affair to men Subsisting between him & sd Wood and the overseers Inform that they have had them together and advised sd Wood to submit sd matter to men but he Refusing the same and this meeting being small therefore the choosing a Committee is Referred to next mo meeting.

Jon Hussey and family removed to Nine Partners. This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate to the mo meeting at the Nine partners for Jonathan Hussey and Elizabeth his wife and Sylvanus & Rachel their Children and their Granddaughter Elizabeth Hussey.

Jonathan Hussey jur requests a Certificate to sd meeting and Wm Sanford & Wm Anthony jur are appointed to draw one if they on Inquiry shall think proper and bring it to next mo meeting.

4 mo 1775

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th ye 4 mo 1775 There not appearing any Representatives from the Preparative meeting the Reason alledged being the Severity of the weather that day that there was no meeting held, yet this meeting concludes to go forward as usual but fear the too general [illegible] of Truth was too much the Principal cause of the afore sd neglect.

The Committee that have the care of [illegible] respecting Caleb Russell and Joshua Shearman jur Report that they have Received some Satisfaction, yet this meeting thinks proper to Refer sd matter under the Care of the same Committee and they to make Report to next mo meeting.

4 mo
1774.

This meeting Concludes to Accept of Giles Slocums paper Condemning his falling into the Sin of Fornication with [illegible] provided he cause sd paper to be Publickly Read at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship before next monthly meeting [illegible] and Report to next monthly meeting and return [illegible] appointed to [illegible] with a Coppy of this minute. Said paper is as followeth,

To the Monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth,

Whereas I have Gave way to the Enseme-ments of the common Enemy so far as to be guilty of the Sin of fornication with [illegible] for which I am [illegible] hoping [illegible] from the Almighty and that friends may so far pass by mine offence as to let me Remain under their Care,

from your friend

Dartmouth ye 16th ye 4 mo 1774.   Giles Slocum.

The friends appointed to See Thos Mott and Rhoday Hathaway and Jonathan Hussey jun and Content Tuckers mariages Consomated all made Report that they attended sd marriages and Saw nothing but that they was Consomated orderly.

The Committee appointed on account of [illegible] Report [illegible] which is [illegible] under the Care of the Same Committee and [illegible] to make [illegible] next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer Reports he hath not [illegible] since the [illegible] of [illegible] last monthly meeting [illegible] is Continued to pay [illegible] money as ordered and make [illegible] next monthly meeting

The Clerk Reports that he hath read the Testimony against Charles Russell as ordered.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting [illegible] Report that [illegible] of them attended but Caleb Russell & James Davis did not attend the whole of sd meeting but rendered a reason therefor which was Accepted. And they have Produced an Epistle from sd Quarterly meeting which hath read and well Accepted.

The Appointing a Committee at the last Adjournment on that affair of William Wood [illegible] omitted by reason of the [illegible] to the meeting Therefore we now appoint our friends Adam Gifford Benjn Slocum Benjn Chase Philip Allen to Labour with sd Wood to Submit sd Matter to men Agreeable to our Discipline.

Removal to Nine Partners of [illegible] Hussey
[illegible]

This meeting Signed a Removal Certificate for Jonathan Hussey jun and Content his wife to the monthly meeting of the Nine partners.

The Committee appointed Some time past to Labour with Wm Smith Report as followeth,

We the Subscribers being appointed Some time past to Labour with Wm Smith for taking too much Spiritous Liquor, Soon after which appointment he Removed up the Country Nevertheless two of us had an Opportunity to Speak with him

4 mo
1775 on that Account and Laboured with him According to our Ability [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
by Credible Information and undoubted Evidence that he yet Continues in the Same [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

from your [illegible] [illegible]
Dated the 19th ye 3 mo 1775 Samuel Smith
John Potter

William
[illegible]
owned. Which is accepted therefore this meeting Doth Disown the sd Smith [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Draw a testimony against him and bring it to next mo meeting also to Serve him with a Coppy of this minute.

Jeminot Lan[illegible]
[illegible] This meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Certificate for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

This meeting [illegible] £8. 8. 8 [illegible] [illegible]

This meeting appoints William Anthony jun Samuel Smith Thomas Hicks [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] minutes and also to Settle accounts with the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Report next monthly meeting.

5 mo
1775 At a Monthly Meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 15th [illegible] 5 mo 1775 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

The Committee that have the Care of the matter Respecting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] under the Same friends and then they to make Report.

Report hath been made that Giles [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

The Committee that have the Care of that matter Respecting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to this meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to Accept [illegible] [illegible] as Satisfaction.

The Committee that have the Care of that matter Respecting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] monthly meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

The Committee that [illegible] [illegible] in the Case Respecting [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] Report that they have been in a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to their Satisfaction & desire it Continued which is Continued Accordingly under the Same friends Care as before and they to make Report when they Shall accomplish sd matter.

A Testimony against Wm Smith was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk and he is ordered to Read it Publickly as usual & make Report to next monthly meeting which is as followeth,

Whereas William Smith Son of Jonathan Smith & [illegible] his wife Late of Dartmouth but now a Resident in Eastnoosuck
a in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England having been educated and made profession with friends [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

5 mo 1775 — to inquire [illegible] with the [illegible] & taking to much spirituous liquor [illegible] he own the Tipling [illegible] for many, a reproach to that holy profession and name that he hath pretended to make profession of and friends having from time to time in love laboured with him for his recovery in hopes he would refrain from a practice so obviously destructive to mankind, but friends labour of love not attaining the desired end, but he continuing therein therefore for the Clearing of truth and the Testimony we bear from such reproachful Evils this meeting is concerned to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him, and do hereby Disown him the said William Smith from being a member of our Society until by repentance and reformation he shall return from the Error of his ways and [illegible] to the way of truth.

Given forth signed in and by order of our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 15th ye 5 mo 1775

by Wm Anthony Junr Clerk.

The friends to Revise Correct & Record this meetings minutes Report that they have Revised & Corrected sd minutes and left them with William Anthony jun to Record [illegible] with the Treasurer [illegible] and Wm Anthony jun and Prince Allen are appointed to Settle with said Treasurer and make report next monthly meeting.

One of the friends appointed Some time Past to Labour with Rubin Smith being Removed from hence, This meeting appoints Abraham Howland to Join [illegible] in that matter and to make Report next monthly meeting.

[illegible] The Committee appointed Some time past on account of [illegible] Howland jr request to come under friends care made Report to this meeting that he gave them a degree of Satisfaction therefore we accept of Said Howland to be under the Care of this meeting.

Obadiah Allen Requests a Removal Certificate for himself his wife and Children to the monthly meeting of the Nine partners and we appoint Edwd Wicks & Philip Allen to Join the women and take the necessary Care if they think proper.

This meeting collected £9..11..0 old tenor.

Removal of Rhoda Allen [illegible] — Removal Certificates for Rhoda Allen & [illegible] directed to the monthly meeting of the Ninepartners were signed in this meeting.

6 mo 1775. — At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 19th ye 6mo 1775 the Representatives are William Mosher & Samuel Smith both present.

Jas Howland and Meribah [illegible] — James Howland and Meribah [illegible] declared their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer and Seth Russell & John Williams are appointed to Inquire into the young mans Clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make report to next monthly meeting.

GEO. HOWLAND, Jr., President. B. RICKETSON, Jr., Treasurer.

New Bedford Five Cents Savings Bank.

New Bedford, 188

[illegible] — [illegible]

60 — 106

196 — [illegible] — 313

214

201

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

6 mo 1775. The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting [illegible] made Report to this meeting which was so Satisfactory as we Conclude to accept of [illegible] paper for Satisfaction but Caleb Green not being present by reason of his being Unwell therefor that matter Respecting [illegible] is Referred to next monthly meeting under the same friends care as heretofore & then they to make Report.

William Wood made no Report to this meeting whether he would Submit that matter to men Subsisting between himself and Job Howland or not therefore the matter is Referred under the Care of Adam Gifford Philip Allen Benjn Chase Benjn [illegible] [illegible] Gifford and they to [illegible] with sd Wood to leave the matter to men & make Report to next mo meeting.

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read [illegible] testimony against [illegible] as ordered.

Sarah [illegible] [illegible] The women Inform that they received a removal certificate on behalf of Sarah Slocum from the monthly meeting of [illegible].

Certif 15 [illegible] A Removal certificate on behalf of [illegible] and Children Directed to the monthly meeting of [illegible] was signed in this meeting.

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Reubin Smith made Report that he gave them no Satisfaction for his misconduct therefore we do Disown him the

Reube Smith [illegible] said Reubin Smith from being under our Care and Abraham [illegible] is appointed to Inform him of his denial and make Report to next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer Reports that the Committee appointed Some time past to Raise money by way of Subscription [illegible] and paid to the Treasury the sum of £15"10"5 Lawful money.

The Committee Appointed to Settle with the Treasurer made the following Report which is accepted.

We the Subscribers having Settled accounts with the Treasurer according to Appointment as followeth,

The money Collected and into the Treasury by order of [illegible] monthly meeting [illegible] 1775 amounts to [illegible] Lawful money £33"16"5

Expended [illegible] [illegible]

Remains in the Stock ---- 9"0"1

Dartmouth ye 17th of 6mo 1775 Prince Allen
Wm Anthony jur

Jos Trafford [illegible] We are Informed that Joseph Trafford [illegible] therefore we do Disown him from under our care and we appoint Abraham [illegible] and Benja Howland [illegible] to [illegible] Trafford with a Copy of this minute [illegible] and make Report to next mo meeting.

Rebecca Russell and Mary Wing [illegible] The women Inform that they have Disowned [illegible] and Mary Wing wife of [illegible] Wing [illegible] this meeting Concurs with.

The Queries were Read in this meeting and

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6 mo 1775. Ensuing [illegible] was approved and sent by our Representatives to sd Quarterly meeting with our Epistle to sd meeting which was signed by the clerk and those of our Representatives are Timothy Tucker [illegible] Smith Benja Howland 2nd Caleb Russell William Anthony jr Jerusha Tucker.

This meeting Collected £10..2..3 Lawfull mor.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell 5 Dollers for half years keeping the meeting house.

7 mo 1775. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th 7 mo 1775 the Representatives are Wm Mosher & Benja Smith who present.

The friends appointed to inquire into James Howland's clearness respecting marriage & conversation report that they dont find nothing to hinder their proceeding.

James Howland Junr and Mehitable Sheperd appeared at this meeting for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and Caleb Russell and Seth Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated orderly and make report next mo meeting.

The Committee that had the care of that matter [illegible] to this meeting that we conclude to accept of sd Green & wives paper [illegible] Days meeting for worship they being present before next monthly meeting and [illegible].

The Committee that had the care of that matter respecting William Wood Report that said Wood hath concluded [illegible] and the same Committee [illegible].

Abraham Howland reports that he informed [illegible].

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended and have brought an Epistle from said meeting with divers transcripts (viz) one from the Last [illegible] one from the yearly meeting in Philadelphia, one from the yearly meeting at Flushing & a number of printed Epistles from London all which were read in this meeting and the salutary advice therein is recommended to each individuals observation and notice.

It is Recommended in sd Quarterly meeting Epistle that the Queries be answered by & in the Preparative meeting for the future, its also recommended for this meeting to raise the sum of five pounds ten shillings Lawfull money to supply our yearly meeting treasury and convey it to the treasurer of sd meeting as soon as may be which this meeting complies with.

The Treasurer reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell five dollars as ordered sd Treasurer also Reports that he hath paid Benja Smith jr ten pounds eight shillings Lawfull money for keeping Alice Smith which this meeting approveth.

7 mo 1775. Thomas Hicks is appointed to take in Subscriptions for Barkleys Apology agreeable to the direction of the Quarterly meeting.

This meeting Collected £1..6..8 O.T.

8 mo 1775. At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 21 day 8 mo 1775 the Representatives are William Barker & Benj.n Howland 2d both present.

Shubel Bunker brought a Certificate from the mo meeting of Nantucket Certifying his having a right of membership there & clearness respecting marriage.

Shubel Bunker and Lydia Gardner

Shubel Bunker and Lydia Gardner declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

The friends appointed to see [illegible] marriage consummated report that they attended said marriage and saw nothing but that it was consummated orderly.

Report hath been made of Caleb Green & Wives paper being read and returned to this meeting as ordered. Said paper is as follows

To the Monthly Meeting of friends in Dartmouth the 20th day of 7 mo 1775

Having married [illegible] Contrary to good order among friends in marrying out of unity and from among friends and as we have offended in both these things which we are sorry for and do condemn and as we are truly desirous to remain under your care we hope you can find it clear with freedom in deliberate thought and tenderness towards us to pass by this fault, praying the Divine director may so order our steps for the future in the way of truth that henceforth we may justly be called your affectionate friends

Caleb Green
Elisabeth Green,

We appoint our friends William Barker Gideon Howland [illegible] [illegible] & John [illegible] to raise money by way of subscription to supply our yearly meeting stock and pay the money into the Treasury and make report of their doings with the same at our next monthly meeting.

This meeting Collected £8..7..7 old tenor.

This meeting Signed a Certificate in favour of John Howland to friends in London also one in favour of John Williams to friends in the [illegible] [illegible] they being about to goe there on account of business.

9 mo 1775. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th the 9th mo 1775. The Representatives are Wm Barker & Thos Hicks both present.

Shubel Bunker & Lydia Gardner appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage [illegible] next monthly meeting Advising with the [illegible] that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and John Russell & Wm Barker are appointed to see their marriage

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Accomplished orderly and make Report to next mo meeting.

The Committee appointed Last monthly meeting to raise money by way of Subscription Report that they have raised and paid into the Treasurer the sum of Eleven pounds three Shillings & four pence Lawfull money and the Treasurer is is ordered to pay into the Treasurer of our yearly meeting the Sum of ten pounds ten Shillings Lawfull money & Report to next mo meeting.

Jedediah Allen disowned

The Overseers Inform that Jedediah Allen hath married out of the order of Friends. They Likewise Inform that they have Laboured with him Therefore this meeting doth disown him the said Jedediah Allen from under our Care, and Prince Allen is appointed to Inform him of his Denial and Report next monthly meeting.

Jonathan Russell hath given a Paper to this meeting Concerning his Resorting & Exercising with a Company of Troops in the military order which is Referred to next mo. meeting.

Friends Concluded to set off and fence the burying ground over and the following friends are appointed Wm Bunker Wm Sandford Thomas Hicks Wm Anthony jur Timothy Russell Benjn Howland and Seth Russell Humphrey Smith & Samuel Smith to Confer together and Cause the Land to be fenced when and after what manner they Shall think proper.

Patience Russell disowned.

The Women Inform that they have denied Patience Russell wife of Barnabas Russell which this meeting concurs with.

Hannah Hicks [illegible]

They also Inform that they have minuted Hannah Hicks under their care which this meeting concurs with.

Anna Wing removal Certificate

We Likewise Signed a Certificate to the Mo meeting of Acoaksett for Anna Wing wife of Jonathan Wing.

This meeting Collected £8..17..10 old tennor

This meeting Adjourns to the 27th Instant after the meeting for worship.

This meeting held by adjournment ye 27th the 9mo 1775 the Representatives being called both present.

The Queries were Read in this meeting and Answers thereto prepared and Likewise an Epistle Signed by the Clerk and ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Joseph Tucker Thomas Hicks Caleb Russell Wm Mosher Wm Anthony jur and William Sandford to attend the Quarterly meeting and they to make Report to next monthly meeting.

10 mo
1775

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th ye 10th mo 1775 the Representatives are Wm Mosher & Thos Hicks present.

Samuel Smith Chosen Clerk for this time.

Wm Bunker & Seth Russell Reports they attended the the marriage of Shubel Bunker & Lydia Gardner which was accomplished orderly.

The Treasurer Reports he hath not paid the money to the yearly meetings Treasurer therefore he is now ordered to pay the Same with two pounds Lawfull money [illegible] more which is now add by the Quarterly meeting and make report next mo meeting.

Prince Allen Reports he hath not inform'd Jonathan Allen of his Denial of [illegible].

This meeting Doth accept of Jonathan Russells paper Condemning his Exercising with the militia for Satisfaction.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report that all attended agreeable to appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the Same which was Read & well accepted.

Two Printed Epistles from the Yearly meeting of Friends in London were read in this meeting and the Salutary Pertinent & Necessary advice therein Contained [illegible] Accepted and Recommended to Each member.

The overseers Report that [illegible] [illegible] the Practice of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and that they Labored with him therefor but [illegible] therefore [illegible] [illegible] and Samuel Smith and [illegible] are appointed to Labour further with him and make Report next Monthly meeting.

This meeting Concludes that all our meetings for worship may Except at Bedford begin at the 12 hour & all the other meetings at the 11 hour and this to Continue till the mo meeting in the 4th month next.

[illegible] [illegible] hath Produced a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Nantucket informing of [illegible] [illegible] among them [illegible], which is accepted.

[illegible] wife of [illegible], and [illegible] wife of [illegible] from the monthly meeting at Smithfield was Read in this meeting and accepted.

[illegible] Informs us of her Intention to Visit Sandwich Quarterly meeting which this meeting taking into Consideration Concurs with and hath Unity with her therein and the Clerk is ordered to Give her a Coppy hereof.

The women Informs they have [illegible] Comfort Castle wife of Daniel Castle which this meeting Concurs with.

This meeting Collected £9..13..9 Old tenor.

11 mo 1775.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th ye 11mo 1775 the Representatives are William Barker and Joseph Barker both present.

Abraham Allen and Phebe Kirby Declared their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage and were Desired to wait till next Monthly meeting for their answer and Prince Allen and Thos [illegible] are appointed to inquire into the young mans Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation and make report next monthly meeting

The Treasurer Reports that he hath not paid the money into the yearly meeting Stock as ordered therefore

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he is ordered to pay it as soon as he can conveniently and Report next mo meeting.

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Josiah Wood Report that they have Laboured with him and [illegible] the matter [illegible] therefore said matter is Referred to next mo meeting under the Care of the Same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report.

Sarah Wilcox [illegible]

The women Inform that they have Disowned Sarah Wilcox wife of William Wilcox which this meeting Concurs with.

Job Anthony and family [illegible]

Job Anthony hath Returned a Removal Certificate for himself and family which was Given out from this meeting the [illegible] of the [illegible] mo 1761 which was directed to the Monthly meeting of Rhode Island and not Delivered but now Returned he as aforesd And now he Living in the Compass of Acoakset meeting which was then part of this meeting therefore the Clerk is ordered to Transmit a Coppy hereof to Acoakset meeting.

Benjamin Smith Jr hath brought a bill to this meeting [illegible] with the Overseers of the poor to the amount of £4-17-1 Lawfull money which this meeting approveth and the Treasurer is ordered to pay said bill as soon as he can and make Report to this meeting.

[illegible] Bond [illegible]

The Committee Reports that [illegible] Bond hath married out of the Unity of friends and [illegible] by the Committee [illegible] under our Care and [illegible] Mosher is appointed to Inform him thereof and make Report to next mo meeting.

This meeting Collected £4-12-11 the Women friends Concludes to Repair the Meeting house Stable and Thos Hicks and William Anthony jur to see it Completed and make Report next mo meeting.

12 mo 1775

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of 12 mo 1775 the Representatives [illegible] Caleb Russell and Benjamin Smith present,

The friends appointed to Enquire into Abraham Allen's Clearness and Conversation Respecting marriage Report that they have taken the necessary Care and find nothing to hinder their proceeding

Abraham Allen and Phebe Kirby appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some Convenient time before next mo. meeting advising with the overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and Prince Allen and Thomas Hicks are appointed to see sd marriage consomated orderly and make next mo. meeting.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath not paid the money into the yearly meeting treasury therefore he is ordered to pay said money as soon as he Conveniently can and Report to next mo, meeting.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid £4-17-1 to Benjn Smith [illegible] ordered last monthly meeting.

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1775.

The friends appointed to repair the meeting house Stable report that it is Effected.

The Committee that had the Care of that matter respecting Josiah Wood Report that notwithstanding their repeated Labour with him he still Continues in the Same practice of mending and repairing guns [illegible] of war which is inconsistent with the profession we make therefore this meeting doth conclude to Disown him if he doth not immediately desist therefrom and the Same Committee are still Continued to inform him hereof and draw a paper of Denial against him if he do not Comply with the Judgment of this meeting and they to make Report next mo. meeting.

[illegible] Treasurer Reports that he hath [illegible] as ordered by friends.

Visit of Aaron Vail & David Sands

Our well esteemed friends Aaron Vail and David Sands were at this meeting with their Certificates from the Monthly meeting of the [illegible] dated the 9th of the 11 mo 1775 whos Visit Testimony and Labour of Love was kindly Accepted among us.

The Queries were Answered and an Epistle Signed in this meeting and ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Thomas Hicks Wm [illegible] [illegible] Samuel Smith Abraham Howland & Wm Barker and they to make Report next mo. meeting.

[illegible] are appointed to agree with some friend for keeping the meeting house this year and make Report next mo. meeting.

This meeting Collected $\overset{£}{8}$.. $\overset{s}{2}$.. $\overset{d}{3}$ old tenor.

1 mo
1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 15th of 1 mo 1776 the Representatives are Benjn Howland & Joseph Tucker [illegible] both present,

One of the friends appointed to see Abraham [illegible] and [illegible] marriage Consumated made Report that he attended said marriage and Saw nothing but what it was Consomated orderly & the other friend Rendered a Reasonable Excuse for his not attending sd marriage.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid the mony as ordered into the yearly meeting Stock.

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Josiah Wood Report that he gave them Encouragement of Desisting from mending guns for the Sogers therefore the matter is Referred under the Care of the Same Committee as heretofore and they to Inform sd Wood that it is the mind of this meeting that he ought to Condemn his past misconduct in that matter and Prince Allen is added to sd Committee and they to Report to next monthly meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended agreeable to appointment and have received an Epistle from the Same which hath been read to Satisfaction and [illegible] Informs that Smithfield Monthly Meeting [illegible] the Expense of £[illegible] 4.. [illegible] Lawfull mony in Building a meeting house which is recommended for Contribution [illegible]

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The [illegible] Reports [illegible] [illegible] as ordered.

We are Informed from the Preparative meeting that Benjamin Howland ye 3rd hath been Aiding or Assisting with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Samuel Smith to Labour with him and Report to next meeting.

[illegible] hath Served Joseph Trafford with a Coppy of his Denial Agreeable to Appointment.

[illegible] There was a Certificate Sign'd in this meeting for [illegible] to the [illegible] meeting of [illegible].

This meeting Collected £3..16..3 old tenor.

2 mo 1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 19th of 2mo 1776 the Representatives are John Potter & Gideon Howland both present.

[illegible] [illegible] Ricketson and [illegible] declared their Intention of taking each other in marriage [illegible] and Thomas Hicks and Philip Allen are appointed to Inquire into said Ricketsons Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation and make Report next monthly meeting.

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting [illegible] Report that they have Discharg'd their trust in that matter [illegible] to this meeting as followeth,

(not entered on the original records)

John William appeared in this meeting and Confes'd that he Some time past Inconsiderately fired and [illegible] in any such matters also sd Williams verbilly Condemned his misconduct therein which this meeting Accepts for Satisfaction.

The Committee that have the Care of that matter respecting Benjn Howland 3rd Reports that they have made Some progress in that matter and sd Howland gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning sd misconduct but friends not Receiving [illegible] Satisfaction on Account of sd Howlands not going to the persons from which the guns was taken therefore the matter is referred to next monthly meeting under the Care of the Same Committee as heretofore and then they to make Report.

We are Informed by the [illegible] meeting that Elijah [illegible] [illegible] married his first Cousin [illegible] Out of the Unity of

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Elijah Sanford [illegible]

friends have been to labour with ye s^d Sandford & [illegible] to a Condemn-ing [illegible] in that matter therefore this meeting Concludes that for the Clearing of truth we can do no less than disown him therefore we do disown the s^d Elijah Sandford from under our care [illegible] to read this minute at the close of a meeting [illegible] before the Monthly meeting and then make report [illegible] is appointed to inform s^d Sandford of his Denial and report to next monthly meeting.

The Overseers Inform that Daniel Smith son of Humphrey hath been in the Practice of taking Spirituous Liquors to excess and neglects attending meetings for which they have laboured with him and he not condemning it to Satisfaction therefore we appoint John Potter and Abraham Tucker to [illegible] with him on that account and report to next mo meeting.

This meeting Collected £ 6.. 8.. 11 old T.
This meeting Adjourns to the 28th Instant.

Meeting held by adjournment ye 28th 2 mo 1776 The Representatives are John Potter & Gideon [illegible] Present.

[illegible] the preparative meeting that Benjamin [illegible] hath been to a place of publick [illegible] with those that have taken very unbecoming a friend also neglects attending meeting & the overseers having laboured with him and he not condemning it to Satisfaction Likewise the Overseers Inform that [illegible] of our young friends hath been in the practice of going to places where there was undue liberty is taken Some of musick and dancing and their [illegible] contrary to the [illegible] Truth and a [illegible] to [illegible] friends, some of which hath been laboured with by the overseers and this meeting taking it into consideration thinks proper that [illegible] further labour with them therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker and William Sandford [illegible] Tucker Samuel Smith W^m Barker Benjamin [illegible] for that purpose with the assistance of the overseers and make report to next mo meeting.

3 mo
1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th ye 3d month 1776 the Representatives are William Barker and Samuel Smith present

[illegible] gave in a paper last monthly meeting Condemning his misconduct in [illegible] yet this meeting is informed by part of the former Committee that had the care of that matter that he still continues in the practice of [illegible] in the [illegible] which we apprehend brings a [illegible] therefore this meeting concludes [illegible] any more [illegible] is appointed to inform [illegible] of the conclusion of this meeting [illegible] and bring it to next mo meeting.

[illegible] Gifford informed this meeting

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[illegible]

that she has thoughts of attending [illegible] Quarterly meeting and Desires our Concurrence therein and this meeting having unity with her Intended Visit She being in unity with us her Publick Testimony approved of among us and the Clerk ordered to give her a copy of this minute.

The Clerk Reports that he hath read the minute against Elijah [illegible] as ordered also Wm [illegible] Reports he [illegible] as ordered.

Samuel Smith gave in a paper to this meeting concerning his Removing out of the Limits of friends which this meeting accepts.

This meeting Collected £4-1s-8d old tenor

this meeting adjourns to the Last fourth Day in this month after the meeting for worship which is to begin at ye 11 [illegible]

This meeting held by adjournment ye 27th ye 3 mo 1776 the Representatives are Wm Barker & Samuel Smith present.

Daniel Smith
Disowned

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Daniel Smith Reports that they have Discharged their trust in that matter and find no Satisfaction therefore this meeting Apprehending we have Discharged our Duty towards him Do Disown the said Daniel Smith from under our Care and Abraham Howland & Gideon are appointed to Inform him of the Conclusion of this meeting and Draw a testimony against him & bring it to next mo meeting.

The Committee that was appointed to Join the overseers in Laboring with Benjamin Sherman & Some of our young friends for going to [illegible] & [illegible] Report that they have not Completed sd business therefore they are Still Continued in that Service & to make Report next mo meeting.

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting Benjn Howland 3rd Report that that matter is not fully settled therefore sd matter is Referred to next Mo Meeting under their Care and then they to make Report.

The friends that were appointed to Inquire into John Ricketson's Clearness Respecting marriage Report that they find nothing So material as to hinder their Proceeding in marriage.

John Ricketson and Sarah Morell appear'd for their answer which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the friends that this meeting appoints for that purpose and Thomas Hicks & Wm Barker are appointed to see their marriage Consomated orderly and make Report next mo meeting.

A former minute of this meeting made in 5th mo 1753 Respecting Mary King was read in this meeting whereby it appears She had been Under Dealing and had not "Received her as a member in [illegible] till [illegible] matter - or Some further Proof of her Sincerity" and this meeting taking the matter into Consideration do appoint William Anthony jun Gideon Howland Saml Smith to inquire into her Life and Conversation since She hath given [illegible] Proof of her Sincerity and make Report next mo meeting.

Henry Smith gave in a Paper to this

3 mo 1776 : meeting concerning Some Expressions [illegible] to our [illegible] which this meeting Accepts.

Thomas Hicks with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] year 1768 [illegible] this meeting doth appoint Benja Smith [illegible] Slocum & George Smith to Enquire into the reason of [illegible] Slocums Refusing to pay [illegible] also to Report next mo meeting.

[illegible] concerning their falling into the Sin of fornication and marrying Out of Unity but by reason of Sd paper being mislaid & not brought to this meeting the matter is Refered to next mo meeting and the Clerk is Desired to Procure Said paper to Sd meeting.

The Queries were Answered in this meeting and an Epistle Signed for the Quarterly meeting and ordered forward to Sd Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are [illegible] Parker William Anthony jur James Davis & they to make Report next mo meeting.

4 mo 1776.

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the [illegible] 4th mo 1776 the Representatives are Caleb Russell & Joseph [illegible] present.

[illegible] The Committee Appointed to Labour with Josiah Wood Reports they have fulfilled their appointment therein and that he Refuses to Comply with the advice & Judgment of the meeting therefore the Clerk hath Signed a paper of Denial against him [illegible]. Also the Committee appointed [illegible] Reports they have fulfilled their appointment and have Drafted a paper of Denial against him which was also Signed by the Clerk and the Clerk is ordered to Read both the aforesd papers Publickly at the Close of a first days meeting for worship and make Report next mo meeting.

The friends appointed to [illegible] in Labouring with Benja [illegible] & some young People [illegible] Report that they have not fulfilled their appointment in that matter therefore they are Still Continued in that Service and to Report next mo meeting.

The Committee appointed on account of Benja Howland [illegible] Reports that they have made some progress in that matter but [illegible] not fully [illegible] friends Satisfaction therefore said matter is Still Continued under their care and they to Report to next monthly meeting.

One of the friends appointed to attend the marriage of [illegible] [illegible] Report that he attended said marriage [illegible] and that it was Conducted in good order; the other friend Reports that he was hindered by Sickness and did not attend sd marriage.

The Committee appointed on account of Mary Wing Report that they have made some progress and this meeting thinks proper that they Inform Sd Mary Wing of their appointment therefore Sd matter is Refered under their care one month longer and then they to make Report.

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The Committee appointed on Account of Jonathan Slocum Reports that said Slocum hath paid his Rate to Thos Hicks and tho the matter is Settled.

Contributions to be made for [illegible] Meeting House

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended and have produced an Epistle from sd meeting which was read and well Accepted. they [illegible] in said Epistle some Assistance towards defraying the Charge of building the meeting house at [illegible] Therefore this meeting appoint Caleb Russell Thos Russell Thos Hicks [illegible] Slocum & Wm Barker to draw Subscriptions & Sign them in behalf of this meeting and receive the money of Each member as they in their freedom Shall See fit and Caleb Russell is ordered to pay the Same to the said Quarterly meeting and they to make Report of the Sum so Collected to next mo meeting

Gideon Howland 2nd & Catherine his wife [illegible] in a paper to this meeting [illegible] their falling into the Sin of fornication [illegible] marriage [illegible] Therefore we appoint Benjn Taber John Williams and Joseph Barker to Join the women and take an Opportunity of Conference with them in order to Discover their Sincerity in that matter and make Report next mo meeting.

We appoint Wm Anthony jur Samuel Smith Gideon Howland and Thomas Hicks to Revise and Correct the monthly meeting minutes in order to go on Record, also to Settle Accounts with the Treasurer and make Report next Monthly meeting.

The [illegible] Clerk is [illegible] to [illegible] next monthly meeting and the former one is continued untill there be a new Choice its Concluded that all our meetings Except [illegible] begin at the eleventh hour untill the monthly meeting in twelfth month next

The Overseers Inform that Benjn Gifford jur hath been to a Baptist meeting and undertook to Emulate them in [illegible] their profession and as the mind of this meeting that the sd Gifford ought to [illegible] condemn such misconduct therefore we appoint Abraham Howland Benjn Smith jur Philip Allen to Labour with him on that account and make Report next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell [illegible] for money which was Expended at our Quarterly meeting last fall.

Abraham Rickitson [illegible]

The Committee appointed some time past to have the care of that matter Respecting Abraham Rickitson Report that they have had sd matter under Consideration and [illegible] Inform that they have no Satisfaction from sd Rickitson Therefore we hereby disown the sd Abraham Rickitson from under our Care and Thos Hicks is appointed to Inform him thereof.

This meeting Collected £ 7..3s..4d old tenor

The Treasurer reports that he paid Timothy Russell the above [illegible] as ordered.

5 mo
1776

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 5th mo 1776 The Representatives are Joseph Tucker & [illegible] present.

Geo Kirby
and Mary
Case
married

George Kirby and Mary Case declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and were advised to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer, and Samuel Smith and Abraham Howland are appointed to Enquire into the young man's Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and Report to next monthly meeting.

The Meeting of [illegible] is Referred to next monthly meeting

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimonys against Josiah Wood and Daniel Smith as ordered
Said Testimonials are as followeth,

Whereas Josiah Wood having made Profession with us, and under the care of this meeting, Yet hath So far Departed from the Principles of Truth and the Testimony thereof as to be found in the practice of mending or Repairing Guns, or fire arms (So called) for the use of war, [illegible] and having Laboured with him in order to [illegible] him [illegible] and to Reclaim him from the [illegible] but [illegible] continued in the same practice to the dishonour of Truth and Grief of faithful friends. Therefore for the maintaining of our Testimony herein This meeting is Concerned to Give this forth as a Testimony against him and do hereby disown him the sd Josiah Wood from being a Member of our Society and from under the care of this meeting. Desiring Nevertheless that he may Return from the Error of his way, and by an unfeigned Repentance and Acknowledgment [illegible] be Restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth & Signed in and by order of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 4th mo 1776
by Wm Anthony jun Clerk.

Whereas Daniel Smith son of Humphrey Smith of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England having been Educated and made Profession with friends, yet hath so far departed therefrom as to frequently take so much Spiritous Liquors to the Reproach of that holy and name that he hath professed to make profession of and hath much neglected attending of meetings, and friends having Laboured with him in order for his Recovery but their Labour not having the desired End, Therefore for the Clearing of truth and the Testimony we bear [illegible] Practices, this meeting is Concerned to give this forth as a Publick testimony against him and do hereby disown him the sd Daniel Smith from being a Member of our Society [illegible] desire he may [illegible] his ways & be Restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth & Signed in and by order of our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 15th of 4th mo 1776
by Wm Anthony jun Clerk.

The Committee appointed on account of Benjamin Howland 2nd Report that the matter is not fully done therefore said matter is Referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same committee as heretofore and they to make report.

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The Committee appointed on account of Mary [illegible] Report that they have fulfilled their appointment therein and by Enquiry they do not find her [illegible] and conversation with [illegible] a Sincere Repentance in respect to her crimes for which she was under dealing Therefore this meeting concludes to disown her from being a member of our Society and the same Com^tee are appointed to Draw up a paper against her and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Rachel Case rec'd.

The women Inform that Rachel Case wife of John Case is Received as a member among them they also Inform they Received a Removal Certificate for Phebe Beard Daughter of John Beard which is accepted.

Phebe Beard rec'd by certif.

The Committee appointed to Labour with Joseph [illegible] Report they have fulfilled their appointment and he acknowledges his Defect in not attending our meetings but they do not find by [illegible] Enquiry that he joined with them in a frolick but [illegible] them on the account of Business which Report is accepted.

The Committee appointed to [illegible] [illegible] being in [illegible] with the [illegible] Report they have not gone through with the Service they are therefore still continued in that Service and to make Report next Monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to Draw Subscriptions of Stock money for the use of [illegible] meeting Report they have made some progress therein but not finished it they are Continued for that Service and to Report next monthly meeting.

Peleg Gifford jun gave in a paper to this meeting condemning his misconduct which is Referred to next mo meeting by reason the Committee appointed on that account are not fully Satisfied and they are continued in that Service and to Report next monthly meeting.

Benj^a Hicks Reports he hath Informed Abraham Rickitson of his Denial as ordered.

Caleb Green having given in a paper to this meeting condemning his [illegible] the [illegible] of a Small Pamphlet on the Subject of paying Taxes that was not Viewed by the yearly meeting's Committee for Viewing manuscripts which paper is accepted for Satisfaction.

Daniel Wood Requests a Removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of the Oblong, and this meeting appoints James Davis and Caleb [illegible] to Enquire into his Circumstances and draw one for him if they think proper and bring it to next Mo meeting.

The Committee appointed to Confer with Gideon Howland 2nd Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction but the but the Receiving his paper is Referred to next mo meeting under the care of the Same Comittee & then they to make Report.

The Committee appointed to Revise & Correct this meetings minutes Report they have fulfilled their appointment and settled accompts with the Treasurer and there Remains in the Stock £ 6 „ 15^s „ 9^d Lawfull money.

5 mo 1776 [illegible] Russell gave in a paper to this meeting concerning his falling into the [illegible] fornication [illegible] which [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] therefore this meeting appoints [illegible] Allen & Benjn Smith jur to take an opportunity of [illegible] [illegible] with him in order to [illegible] his sincerity and to make Report next mo meeting.

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the meeting at Bedford Report that sd meeting hath been well kept in [illegible] of [illegible] and they [illegible] request sd meeting may be continued as heretofore until the monthly meeting in the [illegible] month next year which this meeting [illegible] and Caleb Russell and [illegible] Russell & James Davis are appointed to have the oversight thereof and to make Report at the [illegible] [illegible].

Benjn Smith jur gave in a bill for [illegible] for the poor to the amount of £6..14..8 lawful money which is accepted and the treasurer is ordered to pay sd money & Report next monthly meeting.

This meeting collected £6..2..11 old tenor.

6 mo 1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th the 6 mo 1776. Thos Hicks is appointed Clerk for this Day

The Representatives are Wm Sanford & Nicholas Howland present.

This meeting Adjourns to the [illegible] instant after the meeting of worship.

This meeting met by Adjournment the 24th 6 mo 1776 the representatives being called both present.

The friends appointed to inquire into George [illegible] clearness respecting marriage and conversation Report that they have taken the necessary care on that account and find nothing to hinder their Proceeding.

George [illegible] and Mary Potter appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting adviseing with the overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated orderly and Report next mo meeting.

Overseers [illegible] Our friends Joseph Barker Thomas Hicks Wm Barker [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] Anthony are [illegible] [illegible] for the year ensuing.

The appointing Overseers of the poor is referred to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed on account of Mary King [illegible] in a paper [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that matter is still continued to next monthly meeting under the care of sd Committee.

Certificate of [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] Our [illegible] friends [illegible] [illegible] and John [illegible] who attended this meeting with their certificate from the monthly meeting of Wilmington in the County of New Castle on Delaware dated the 15th of the 5th month 1776 which was [illegible] [illegible]

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Satisfaction of their Visit kindly accepted.

The Committee appointed to assist the overseers in Labouring with some of the young People Report that they have made some further Progress therein and that they believe it to be of Service therefore they are continued to Proceed further in that matter as they may find themselves engaged therein and to make Report to the next monthly meeting.

The Queries have been Read and Answers thereto Read & approved.

Tho. Allen disowned

This meeting is informed that Thomas Allen Son of Francis hath married out of the Unity of Friends Notwithstanding his being Previously Cautioned to desist therefrom this meeting doth disown him the said Thomas Allen from being a member of our Religious Society & Benjamin Taber is appointed to inform Thomas Allen of his Denial & Report next monthly meeting.

This meeting Collected £10..5s..4d Law. money

This meeting Adjourns to the 26th Instant after the meeting for worship.

This meeting met by adjournment the 26th of 6th mo 1776 the Representatives both Present.

The Committee that have the Care of that matter Respecting Peleg Gifford Jr Report that they are Satisfied on that account but the Publishing of Sd Gifford's Paper is Refered to next Mo meeting [illegible] he is not present.

Removal certif for Daniel Wood

A Removal Certificate of Daniel Wood Directed to the monthly meeting at the Oblong was Signed in this meeting.

The matter Respecting Gideon Howland 2nd is Refered to next monthly meeting under the Care of the former Committee who are then to make Report.

Mary Wing

A Removal Certificate Directed to the monthly meeting of the Nine Partners for Mary Wing wife of Giles Wing was Signed in this meeting.

The Committee appointed to Confer with Timothy Russell Report that he gave them a degree of Satisfaction but he not being present said matter is Refered to next Mo meeting under the care of Sd Committee who are then to make Report.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid the money to Benjamin Smith as ordered last monthly meeting.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell four Dollars for half years keeping the meeting house and Report next monthly meeting.

Collection for Smithfield Mo Mg

The friends appointed to Collect money for the use of Smithfield Monthly meeting and pay to Caleb Russell for that purpose Report (Giles Slocum Excepted) that they have collected and paid said Russell the Sum of £7..3s..7d Lawfull money.

Friends Amos Willcox having a birthright among friends but we finding his conduct & Conversation being very Inconsistant with our Profession (viz) going to frolicks

6 mo 1776 [illegible] [illegible] and not attending meetings and he having been treated with by the Overseers, but he continuing therein we appoint Benjamin Howland Prince Allen to labor with him as they find freedom and report next mo meeting.

There was an Epistle Signed in this meeting to the Quarterly meeting and we appoint our friends Caleb Russell Thomas Hicks Wm Anthony jur to attend the Quarterly meeting and present the Epistle and answers to the Queries and report next mo meeting.

7 mo 1776 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 15th of 7th mo 1776 the representatives are Wm Barker & Prince Allen present,

The friends appointed to see George [illegible] and Mary Potter's marriage consummated report that they attended the marriage & saw nothing but that it was solemnized orderly.

We appoint our friends Abraham Howland Prince Allen Joseph Tucker Caleb Russell & Benjn Howland Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing.

Edw Tab— [illegible] One of the Overseers Inform that Edward Taber is married out of the Unity of friends after being Precautioned, Therefore we disown him the said Edward Taber from being one of our Society and [illegible] is appointed to inform him of his denial and report next monthly meeting.

The matter respecting Benjamin Howland's is Referred to next mo meeting under the Same friends care as heretofore & then they to make Report.

The Committee that was to join the Overseers in discoursing with some young People report they have not performed [illegible] therefore they are still continued & Prince Allen is added to them and they to report next mo meeting.

The matter respecting [illegible] [illegible] is Referred to next mo meeting under the care of the Same Committee as heretofore for further Consideration

The matter Respecting Peleg Gifford jur is Referred to next mo meeting under the care of the Same Committee as heretofore they being not fully Satisfied and then they to make Report;

Thos Russell [illegible] [illegible] The Committee that have the care of that matter Respecting Thomas Russell made a Satisfactory Report on that account Therefore this meeting Accepts of Sd Russells be one under our care provided he cause the paper he gave into this meeting to be Read publickly at the Close of a first days meeting he being present before next mo meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & Report its being read.

The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] last mo meeting.

The Committee appointed to Labour with Amos Wilcox Report that they have not performed their Appointment by reason when they went to his place of abode he was not at home therefore they are still continued in that Service & to make Report next mo meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly

7 mo 1776 meeting Report that we attended ye Quarterly meeting which forwarded an Epistle from the Same which was Read and well accepted, together with a Transcript of our last yearly meeting together with a Number of Books from the yearly meeting & meeting for Sufferings in London which said Books have been Rebound and distributed among most of friends families of this meeting for their perusal.

Thos Hicks [illegible] This meeting appoints Thos Hicks an Elder, and Refer the appointing more to next mo meeting.

The matter Respecting Gideon Howland is Referred to next mo meeting by reason the womens meeting hath not accepted his wives paper.

This meeting Collected £8..1..8 Old tenor

8 mo 1776 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 19th the 8th mo 1776 the Representatives are John Williams present Benja Smith jun not present by Reason of his attending a funeral.

John Williams Reports that he hath not Informed [illegible] of his Denial as ordered therefore he is Continued to Complete the appointment and make Report next monthly meeting.

Benjamin Taber Reports that he hath Informed Thomas [illegible] of his Denial as ordered.

Part of the Committy that had the care of that matter Respecting Benjamin [illegible] Reports that have made Some progress but desire the matter Referred therefore the matter is Referred under their Care and they to make Report to next mo meeting

Some of the Committee that was to Join the Overseers in Labouring with Some of the young People Report that they have made Some progress and desire the matter to be Continued therefore it is Continued to next mo meeting then they to make Report.

This meeting Signed a paper of Denial against Mary Wing and the Clerk is ordered to Read said paper at the Close of a first day meeting before next mo meeting & then they to make Report and Wm [illegible] is appointed to Inform her of her Denial & Report next mo meeting. Said paper is as followeth.

Whereas Mary Wing Some years past was under Dealing by this meeting (as appears by our Records) and altho She Gave in a paper Condemning her misconduct, yet the meeting did not Receive her into full Unity but Suspended the matter for further proof of her Sincerity. Now this meeting (of late having made Enquiry into her Conduct and Conversation and Likewise have had Conference with her on that matter and do not find a Sufficient proof of a Sincear Repentance but Rather the Contrary, therefore this meeting doth deny the said Mary Wing from being a member of our Religious Society untill by a Sincear Repentance and Return from the Evil of her ways as a Sure token thereof to the way of Truth & well doing.—

Signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th ye 8th month 1776.—

by Wm Anthony jun Clerk
Susanna Smith Clerk

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The Committee that have the care of that matter Respecting Peleg Gifford Jr Report that he gave them a Paper of [illegible] therefore this meeting [illegible] Peleg Giffords paper [illegible] [illegible] caused to be read at the Publick close of a first day meeting he being present before next mo meeting & [illegible] to make report. which paper is as followeth

To the monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth on the 20 ye 5 mo 1776

Dear friends being in the sense of my misconduct then being at a meeting of another Society in [illegible] with them [illegible] for [illegible] it was not according to the Constitutional principles of our profession [illegible] Desiring friends and all others therein Concerned to pass it by that I may Remain under the care of this meeting, is the desire of your friend

Peleg Gifford Jr

Dartmouth 14 ye 5 mo 1776.

Report hath been made that Caleb Russells paper hath not been Read therefore he is desired to accomplish the Reading of his paper as ordered and make report next mo meeting.

The matter respecting James Wilcox is referred to next mo meeting by the Request of the Committee who are then to make report.

Mary Spooner
Denied

The women Inform that they have Denied Mary Spooner wife to Simeon Spooner.

This meeting collected £4 " 8 " 3 [illegible].

This meeting adjourns to meet [illegible] at ye 11th hour.

Met by adjournment ye 26 ye 8 mo 1776. the representatives being called both present.

The matter Respecting Simeon Spooner Jr is referred to next mo meeting by reason the committee are not ready to Receive his wifes paper.

The [illegible] is referred to next mo meeting.

Anna Gifford
minute for
[illegible]

Anna Gifford Signified to this meeting that she hath a mind to visit Sandwich monthly meeting and desires our Concurrence therein, and we approving of her Intended visit she being a member of this meeting [illegible] accepted among us. [illegible] a copy of this minute.

Richard
[illegible]
denied

This meeting is Informed that Richard [illegible] hath [illegible] very Contrary to our profession therefore for the Clearing of truth friends think [illegible] to Inform him of his Denial when he has an opportunity and Report to next meeting.

It appearing that [illegible] hath been under dealing for some time for marrying out of the Unity of friends [illegible] the Committee that have the care of that matter

8 mo. 1776, [illegible] a Satisfactory Report on that account and friends conclude to accept of his acknowledgement for Satisfaction.

We are Informed that Abraham Smith hath been Assisting or fitting warlike Implements also paid money towards building a fort and hath been Laboured with by friends and [illegible] justifies his conduct. Likewise Elihu [illegible] hath Joined with a Military Company in their Exercise by way of training & hath been Laboured with also and not condemning his conduct therefore we appoint our friends Caleb Russell John Williams William Mosher & Joseph Tucker jun to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and make Report [illegible] [illegible].

Job Carey [illegible] [illegible] a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Monthly Meeting [illegible] [illegible] for himself & his children.

This meeting hath [illegible] [illegible] the following [illegible] who have [illegible] [illegible] within the [illegible] of the [illegible] Monthly Meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 1776.

Members Jonathan Smith & [illegible] his wife Jonathan [illegible] & [illegible] his wife & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] who [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Russell [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & John [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] namely [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], Elizabeth Smith removed wife of Wm Smith and their Children namely [illegible] [illegible] Smith [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible], [illegible] Anthony & Judith to his wife & their Children [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] Anthony & [illegible] his wife and Nine their Children namely [illegible] and [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Partners [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] wife of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] his wife & their Children [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & his Children [illegible] [illegible] Elizabeth & John [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] his wife & their Children [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Jonathan [illegible] [illegible] wife of John [illegible] & Mary [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] his wife & their Children [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] &c [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] wife of John [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] who hath Removed to Saratoga without Requesting our [illegible] [illegible] friends thereof.

9 mo 1776 At a Monthly Meeting of friends [illegible] [illegible] the 16th of 9th mo. 1776 the Representatives are Wm Mosher and Thomas Hicks both present.

John Williams Reports that he hath [illegible] Edward Faber of his Denial as ordered.

The matter Respecting Benjamin Bowen and [illegible] [illegible] is referred to next meeting under the care of the Same Committee as heretofore and them to make Report.

The Committee appointed to Joine the Womens

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in Labouring with Some young People Desire that matter Refer'd, therefore is Refer'd to next mo meeting & then they to make Report.

The Clerk Reports that he hath not Read Mary Wings Denial and Wm Barker Reports that he Inform'd Mary Wing of her Denial as order'd. Likewise Informs that sd Mary Wing Desires to appear to the Monthly meeting in the Winter Quarter.

[illegible] and Stukely Russell having [illegible] to be Read as ordered or Required by last mo meeting and have Returned sd Papers to this meeting & papers as followeth,

To the Monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth.

[illegible] the Insinuations of the Adversary so far as to be guilty of the Sin of fornication with Jemima [illegible], whereby she Charg'd me on Oath of being father of her bastard [illegible] which Transgression I am sorrow for & do freely Condemn desiring forgiveness from the Almighty and that friends may so far pass by mine offence as to let me Remain under their Care.

from your friend Stukely Russell

Dartmouth ye 13th 9mo 1774.

[illegible] hath Given in a Paper to this meeting Concerning his misconduct for which he hath been under Dealing but friends not being fully satisfied of his Sincerity the matter is therefore Continued under the care of the Same Committee as heretofore for their Inspection and a proof of his Sincerity & Wm Sandford is add'd to sd Committee.

This meeting Concludes to accept of Gideon [illegible] paper Condemning [illegible] the Sin of fornication & marrying [illegible] for Satisfaction [illegible] to be publickly Read at the close of a first days meeting [illegible] & return it to next monthly meeting & Report of its being Read.

There was Subscriptions Sign'd in this meeting to raise money for the Yearly meeting [illegible] Caleb Russell [illegible] Joseph Tucker jun Wm Sandford to Receive the money of each member and pay the Same into the Treasury and Report to next monthly meeting of the Sum total [illegible]

This meeting Collected 8" 1" 8 o.t.

This meeting Adjourns to third day of this Instant at ye 11th hour.

Met by Adjournment the 23rd ye 9 mo 1776. The Representatives being Called both present.

The Overseers have Communicated a Complaint to this meeting under the hand of Sarah Davis Against Elijah Russell for [illegible] a matter of [illegible] of the Overseers Inform for which they Laboured with him [illegible] We appoint [illegible] Wm Barker Wm Sandford to Inquire into the above sd matter & Labour with sd Russell as they may find freedom and make Report next mo meeting.

9 mo 1776 The [illegible] of Ebing a [illegible] is next mo meeting.

Abraham Smith and Elihu Gifford The [illegible] of the Committee appointed to Labour with Abraham Smith and Elihu Gifford Report that they have [illegible] themselves in that matter and the Smith and Gifford [illegible] their conduct [illegible], therefore [illegible] Smith is appointed to draw a Testimony against them & bring to next mo meeting and [illegible] Russell is appointed to Inform them thereof & Report next mo meeting.

We are Informed that Abraham Wood is in practice of fitting guns for the use of war, and friends having Labourd with him to desist, but he still Continues therein.

Also we are Informed that there is a Negro man held in a State of Slavery by Isaac Howland 2nd & Joseph Russell jr and friends having Labourd with them on that account therefore we appoint Benjamin Smith jr Benjamin Howland 2nd [illegible] Tucker jr Samuel Smith & William Sanford to Labour further with said Wood on that account Likewise with Isaac Howland & Joseph Russell jr on that account & make report next mo meeting.

The [illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

10 mo 1776 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 20th ye 10 mo 1776 The [illegible] [illegible] present.

[illegible] meeting Accepts of Benjamin Howland 3rd a paper for Satisfaction Condemning his going in Company with men that took arms [illegible] year, Provided he Cause sd paper to be publickly read at the Close of a first day meeting for worship he being present before next mo meeting & then Return sd paper and Report of its being read.

Report hath been made of Benjamin Howland 2nd & wives paper being Read as ordered & is Returned to this meeting, Said paper is as followeth,

To the Preparative and Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth to be held the 13th & 20th days of the 5mo 1776.

Dear friends, Whereas we through unwatchfulness have fallen into the sin of fornication as appears by our having a child so soon after marriage for which we are sorry Desiring the Lord may forgive us and friends pass it by together with our marrying nearer in kin than is allowed among friends hoping for the future through divine assistance we may be enabled to walk more circumspect that friends would still continue us under their care.

Benjamin Howland 2nd
[illegible] Howland

Dated the 13th of 5mo 1776.

The Committee appointed to [illegible] the [illegible] in Labouring with some of our youth [illegible] that matter [illegible], therefore sd matter is Referred to next mo meeting & then they to make Report.

The Committee appointed to [illegible] money

10 mo 1776 [illegible] meeting [illegible] Report [illegible]

The Committee appointed to [illegible] Elijah Russell Report that they have Enquired into sd matter [illegible] and Laboured much with sd Russell to Settle with Sarah [illegible] or [illegible] with [illegible] Same Committee and then they to make Report

The appointment [illegible] Caleb Russell Reports that [illegible] with Elihu Gifford [illegible] is ordered to read sd Testimonies Publickly as usual & Report next mo meeting.

The friends appointed to Labour with [illegible] and Joseph Russell jur & Abraham [illegible], not having [illegible] next mo meeting and [illegible] to make Report.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report they all attended sd meeting and have Produced an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting which was read and accepted.

This meeting Signed a Certificate for [illegible] to the monthly meeting of the nine partners as he is going to visit his friends within the Compass of sd meeting.

Benjamin Smith jur [illegible] in a bill for keeping [illegible] Smith to the amount of £3 0 8 [illegible] which the Treasurer is ordered to pay & Report next mo meeting.

This meeting Collected £1 4 0 Lawful money.

11 mo 1776

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 18th 11 mo 1776 the Representatives [illegible] meeting present.

Received a Certificate from Acoaxet Monthly meeting setting forth Samuel Howland's Clearness Respecting marriage.

Saml Howland and Mary Smith [illegible] Samuel Howland & Mary Smith declared their Intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till next mo meeting for their answer.

[illegible] hath been made by Benjamin Howland Jur his paper being Read and is Returned to this meeting.
Sd paper is as followeth,

Dartmouth the 18th of 11th month 1776

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth
Beloved friends

Whereas [illegible] in [illegible] out of order in [illegible] with [illegible] matter [illegible] to be preserved from the like behaviour [illegible] and Desire friends so far to pass by this mine Offence [illegible] the [illegible] as Extended toward me in the matter and much Desiring that for time to come I may so walk as to [illegible]

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[illegible]

Most of the Committee appointed to Join the Overseers in Conferring with [illegible] our youth Report that although they have not Proceeded so fully as Intended yet they think it best that the matter be left with the Overseers and they [illegible] which is [illegible] of this meeting and the Overseers are Desired to watch Over the youth in a more [illegible] manner and those the Overseers to bring their Report with their Respective names to this meeting.

This meeting Received Some Printed Epistles from the yearly meeting Philadelphia which is distributed among friends [illegible] the yearly meeting of Ministers & Elders both which were Read & Kindly accepted.

This meeting Collected 0£ 13s 2d Lawful money.

This meeting adjourns to the 27th Instant after the meeting of worship which is to begin at the 11th hour.

This meeting met by adjournment the 27th of the 11 mo 1776 the Representatives being Called both Present.

The Committee appointed to rais money for the [illegible] Report [illegible] the matter is Referred to next mo meeting and then they to Report.

The Committee appointed to labour with Elijah Russell Report that they have had another Opportunity with sd Russell (B. Smith absent) and he declines Submitting the matter to [illegible] of sd Committee [illegible] this meeting taking sd matter into Consideration [illegible] that sd Russell ought to [illegible] before the [illegible] to [illegible] sd matter to them and the sd Committee are Desired to Inform him hereof & to make Report next mo meeting.

The matter of Chusing Elders is Referred to next mo meeting.

Whereas the Testimony against Abraham [illegible] that was brought & Read at last mo meeting not being Signed by the Committee & the Clerk he is therefore now ordered to Sign the Same & Read it as ordered before & make report next mo meeting.

The Committee appointed to Labour with Isaac Howland and Joseph Russell jr & Abraham Wood Report that they have performed their appointment therein & said Wood Refuses to Comply with friends Advice but Continues to [illegible] for the use of war therefore [illegible] from being a member our Society and sd Committee is ordered to Draw a Testimony against him & bring it to next mo meeting; they also Report that Isaac Howland & Joseph Russell have not fully Complied with friends Advice in Regard to the Negro the matter is therefore Referred to next monthly meeting under the care of sd Committee and then they to make Report.

Abraham Wood
disowned

Jedidiah Allen gave in a paper Condemning his misconduct and Requests to Come under friends Care again. And we appoint Joseph Tucker and Wm [illegible] to have an opportunity of Conference with sd Allen in order to discover the Sincerity

11 mo 1776 and motive of his Request and Report next monthly meeting.

[illegible] Committee [illegible] appointed [illegible] Concerning the meeting [illegible] [illegible] such Lands & adjoining with [illegible] [illegible] meeting for worship [illegible] no meeting [illegible] Return the paper.

The Committee appointed to fence the Land round the meeting house Report that they have Completed the matter and Repaired the meeting house and brought in their account which is [illegible] money Exclusive of [illegible] that gave work.

This meeting Concludes to build a Little house for the use of friends at our meeting house and we appoint William [illegible] to Complete the business as soon as he can with Conveniency & bring in his account.

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid [illegible] Smith jun £6"8 old tennor as ordered

12 mo 1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 16th 12 mo 1776 the Representatives are [illegible] present.

Samuel Howland and Mary Smith appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage at some Convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the friends that shall be appointed for that purpose and we appoint Wm [illegible] and Joseph [illegible] to See their marriage Consummated in good order and make Report next mo meeting.

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Elijah Russell reports that Sd Russell and Sarah Davis hath Settled sd matter or controversy.

There was a Testimony Against Abraham Wood Signed in this meeting by the Clark and he is ordered to Cause it to be Read at the Close of a first day meeting for worship and make Report next mo meeting.

The Committee appointed to have the Care of that matter Respecting [illegible] Joseph Russell [illegible] Report that said friends have not Completed the matter therefore the Same Committee are Still Continued in that Service & to make Report next mo meeting.

Zedidiah Allen received a member

The Committee that had the Care of the matter Respecting [illegible] Report that they have [illegible] Therefore Said Allen b. is Received under friends Care.

The Committee appointed to Collect money for the yearly meeting Stock Report that they have Collected and paid into the Treasurer £12"3"6 Lawful Money.

The Clark Reports he hath Read the Testimony against Abraham [illegible] as ordered [illegible]

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mo meeting. Sd paper is as followeth,

Whereas Abraham Smith & Elihu Gifford having made Profession with us & under the Care of this meeting, yet have by their Departure from the way of Truth and the Testimony thereof [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] supporting of war or preparations for the Same particularly the sd Smith hath paid money towards the [illegible] & also in fitting Some [illegible] Instruments and they having been tenderly laboured with by friends to [illegible] them to Condemn their sd Conduct but our Labour therein not obtaining the desired Effect, [illegible] the Same this meeting [illegible] concerned for the maintaining our Testimony against all [illegible] war & fighting and preparations for the same, to give this paper as a Testimony against them hereby disowning them the sd Smith & Gifford from being members of our Society and from under the Care of this meeting until by sincere [illegible] Repentance & Return from the Error of their ways they [illegible] to the way of truth. Given forth and signed in behalf of our mo meeting held in Dartmouth 21st 10mo 1776

by William Anthony jun Clerk.

Caleb Russell hath Caused his paper to be read as ordered and Returned is as followeth,

To the Dartmouth [illegible] Monthly meetings of friends [illegible]

Dear Friends

Being [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] having [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Carting or conveying [illegible] watchfull for the future. your [illegible] affectionate friend

Dartmouth 12th of 11mo 1776. Caleb Russell

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to this meeting Condemning their misconduct the first in [illegible] the latter in going [illegible] [illegible] which this meeting accepts for satisfaction.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Finding [illegible] [illegible] Tucker [illegible] appeared in this meeting and [illegible] Confessed & Condemn'd their having [illegible] concerned in buying Carting or Conveying of prise Goods which this meeting accepts for Satisfaction.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell five Dollars for his years keeping the meeting house and [illegible] [illegible] mo meeting.

This meeting Collected [illegible] Lawfull mony.

This meeting adjourns to the [illegible] Day of this instant at ye 11 hour.

12 mo 1776 — Meet by adjournment the 30th ye 12mo 1776 the Representatives being [illegible] both Present.

The [illegible] is Referred to next mo meeting.

The Overseers Inform that David Briggs Jonathan howland Nicholass Lapham hath purchased prise Goods and Joseph Russell David Allen Philip Allen Jonathan Allen & Benj Russell [illegible] have [illegible] prise goods and [illegible] of Such goods when bid off at Vandue & Stored & Shipt them again on which the Overseers Report they have Laboured with them but they have not [illegible] Satisfaction [illegible] [illegible] appointed [illegible] Smith Philip Allen Benjn Howland and [illegible] to Labour further with the above named and [illegible] next monthly meeting.

The [illegible] in this meeting [illegible] Signed for the Quarterly meeting and ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Thos Hicks Benjn Howland and Wm Anthony [illegible] and they to Report next mo meeting.

John [illegible] — The friends appointed [illegible] to Labour with John [illegible] and Wm [illegible] for their misconduct Report that they have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] them no [illegible] Satisfaction therefore [illegible] friends are appointed to draw a paper of denial against them & bring it to next mo meeting.

This meeting Signed a Certificate for our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting directed to the Commanding Officer of the Military Service desiring their Leave for sd Representatives to pass on their way to sd Quarterly meeting.

1 mo 1777 — At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th the 1st mo 1777. the Representatives are Prince Allen & Joseph Barker Present.

The Committee appointed Last mo meeting to Labour with those friends that Purchased prise goods Report that they Laboured with sd friends and Nicholas Lapham David Briggs Jonathan Howland gave in papers to this meeting condemning sd misconduct which is accepted provided they sign a Testimony against such [illegible] according to the Conclusion of this meeting. And this meeting Concludes notwithstanding the minute of Last mo meeting That all those friends that hath condemned sd misconduct Sign a Testimony against such [illegible] to be [illegible] as Usual in order to take of the Report from the Society. And Said Committee are desired to draw a Testimony for that purpose and desire all those friends that have [illegible] to Sign the Same if they [illegible] and bring to next mo meeting, [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] Testimony against those friends that [illegible] Satisfaction and bring to next mo meeting.

Ralph Allen — The [illegible] [illegible] Allen hath [illegible] & gone on board of a [illegible] of war which being conterary to our profession therefore we hereby Disown the sd Ralph Allen from being under our Care & the above Committee is desired to draw a Testimony against him & bring to next mo meeting.

[illegible] 1 mo 1777 — Wm Russell disowned

Whereas we understand that Wm Russell son of Timothy Russell hath Entered into the war & cannot be [illegible] with therefore we disown the sd Wm Russell from being under our care and the afores^d Committee is ordered to draw a testimony against sd Russell and bring it to next mo meeting.

This meeting signed a Certificate for [illegible] to the mo meeting of [illegible] [illegible] his friends.

This meeting Collected 3.6.1 L. mony.

This meeting adjourns to the 29th Instant after the meeting for worship which is to begin at 11 o'clock.

Met by adjournment ye 29th [illegible] the Representatives being called both present.

The friends appointed to See the Marriage of Samuel Howland and Mary Smith Report that they attended sd marriage and saw nothing but that it was orderly accomplished.

The Clerk Reports that he hath signed the Testimony against Abraham Wood as ordered last mo meeting. Sd Testimony is as followeth.

Whereas Abraham Wood son of [illegible] & Hannah Wood Having had his Education amongst friends, But by departing from the Testimony of Truth [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to the way of Truth.

Given forth & Sign'd in & on behalf of our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 18th of ye 12th mo 1776

By William Anthony jun Clerk.

Isaac Howland 2nd gave in a bill to this meeting Manumitting a Negro man named Prince but not being [illegible] whether sd Negro is [illegible] the matter is Refer'd under the care of the Same Committee as heretofore they to Report next mo meeting.

The Treasurer reports that he hath paid [illegible] Timothy Russell as ordered last mo meeting.

The Raising of Money is Refer'd to next mo. meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended Except Benja Howland who sent a reasonable Excuse. They also brought an Epistle from sd meeting which was Read and well Accepted.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath sent the money that was rais'd to Supply the yearly meeting Stock according to the Direction of the yearly meeting which this meeting approves.

The friends appointed to draw a Paper

[illegible] 1777

[illegible] against John [illegible] and William [illegible] were brought [illegible] which were signed by the Clerk who is ordered the Same to be read & make Report next mo meeting [illegible] also informs that they have [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] of their [illegible].

John Howland being Returned from England with a Certificate from the six weeks meeting held in London the 24th the 2d mo 1776 Certifying his Good Conversation while there and his Clearness from marriage Engagements which hath been Read & well accepted.

The Overseers Informs that Job Russell [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] have Purchased Prize Goods and they are [illegible] with them for [illegible] [illegible] and the matter is put under the Care of the Same Committee that were appointed to Deal with the others under the Same Transgressions & to Report of them with the others.

This meeting having Reconsidered the minute made at the first Setting of this meeting Respecting Wm Russell Son of Timothy Russell and do defer the denying of him untill a further Consideration of his being Received into the [illegible].

Joseph Gifford Philip Allen John Williams and [illegible] are appointed to raise money by Subscriptions to pay the Cost of [illegible] on [illegible] round the meeting house and make Report to next meeting.

2d mo 1777.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th the 2nd mo 1777. The Representatives are Philip Allen & Joseph Tucker jun present.

Jos Russell Jr
David Allen
Elihu Allen
Jon Allen
Ralph Allen
[illegible]

The Testimonies against Joseph Russell jun David Allen Elihu Allen Jonathan Allen and Ralph Allen were Signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is ordered to read the Same Publickly as Usual & report next mo meeting & John Williams is appointed to inform them of their denial & Report next mo meeting.

John Allen
[illegible]
[illegible]

A Condemnation being [illegible] Signed by John Allen [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] by [illegible] Hazzard which is Accepted for Satisfaction.

The Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that have [illegible] in being Concerned with [illegible] [illegible] Testimony to this meeting Signed by [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Jonathan [illegible] & Timothy [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Testimonies are Accepted for Satisfaction provided they [illegible] to be [illegible] [illegible] & Report made to next mo meeting thereof and Said Committee are [illegible] continued to Labour with those Transgressors on them accounts who have not yet Complied with friends Advice also to draw testimonies against them that decline making Satisfaction and Report next mo meeting.

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Desires the matter continued [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to Report.

Wm Mosher
[illegible]

This meeting appoints William Mosher [illegible] [illegible].
The Clerk Reports he hath [illegible] Testimony

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Testimonies [illegible],

Whereas John Wood & Wm Russell having been [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the way of the Professions of [illegible] [illegible] they have been found guilty of Dealing [illegible] from John [illegible] Likewise ye sd Wood has appeared with a Tumultuous company by way of [illegible] [illegible] unbecoming the truth which we profess, Likewise the sd Wood & Russell has Proceed in [illegible] out of the Unity of friends all which they have been Laboured with for in order to Convince them of the Evil of their ways but our Labour of love not having the desired Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for the clearing of truth and friends from such Evil Practices do hereby disown the sd John Wood & Wm Russell from being members of our Religious Society and from under the care of this meeting Desiring If it be Consistant with Divine goodness they may come to sight & sence of their outgoings and by [illegible] Repentance be Restored to the ways of truth.

Given forth at our mo meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th Day 1st mo 1777 and Signed in and on behalf sd meeting

by Wm Anthony jn Clerk.

This meeting being [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Russell having been in the war therefore do Confirm the Denial of sd [illegible] and the Committee Continued to draw a Testimony against him & ordered [illegible] mo meeting and inform him thereof & Report next mo meeting.

The Committee appointed to [illegible] money not being fully Ready to make Return therefore they are Continued in that Service & to Report next mo meeting.

Walter Wood disowned — We are Informed that Walter Wood hath married out of the Unity of friends after being Precautioned by one of the Overseers therefore we Deny him the said Walter Wood from being under the care of friends and Joseph Tucker jun is appointed to Inform him thereof & Report next mo meeting.

This meeting being Informed that Benjn Russell son of Benjn Russell son of Benjn Russell hath [illegible] or [illegible] of [illegible] and been Laboured with but not appearing to make Satisfaction therefore sd matter is Referred under the Care of the Committee appointed to Labour with transgressors of that kind.

This meeting is Informed that Stephen Mott hath Enlisted into the war and we appointed Caleb Russell and John Williams to treat with him and draw a paper of Denial against him if he Declines to make Satisfaction and make report next mo meeting.

Joseph Mott disowned — This meeting is informed that Joseph Mott hath Removed away a far distance from hence and married out of the Unity of friends and as he cannot be Laboured with by Reason of his being gone away as afore sd Therefore this meeting doth deny him from being a member of our Society.

Amos Wilcox disowned — The Committee that had the care of that matter concerning Amos Wilcox made report that he hath [illegible] them no Satisfaction but Still Continues in the Transgressions, therefore this meeting doth deny him from being in membership with us & sd Committee are ordered to draw a paper of Denial against him & bring

2 mo 1777. to next mo meeting also to Inform him of his Denial.

The Clerk hath Signed a Certificate or Recommendation to the monthly meeting of the [illegible] for [illegible] who hath Removed there and Resided out of the limits of friends Requesting them to take the matter with him under their Care.

It hath been moved in this meeting to Consider the matter in respect to our minutes who stands as members & who hath a further Birth Right by the [illegible] our [illegible] & who not. Therefore Prince Allen William Anthony jur Thos [illegible] Benjamin Smith jur & Samuel Smith are appointed as a Committee to Consider thereof and if they think there needs a further Explanation to our yearly meeting minutes in that Respect they are desired to draw up what they think needful in writing and bring it to next mo meeting.

This meeting collected $0..16..7 [illegible] money.

3 mo 1777. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th 3 mo 1777 the Representatives are Prince Allen & Benj Howland 2d present.

The Clerk Reports he hath not Read the Testimonys against Isaac Russell jur & the Sons of Benja Allen as ordered Last mo meeting therefore he is Still Continued for that Service & to Report next mo meeting.

The friends viz Barker Little David Briggs Elihu Slocum Jonathan Howland Timothy Howland David Shepherd jur Thos Akin hath Caused their Testimony to be read Publickly as ordered Last mo meeting & Returned them to this meeting. Sd Testimony are as followeth;

To the monthly meeting of Dartmouth,

Esteemed Friends.

We the subscribing having [illegible] unwarily or unwisely Purchased or bought some Small Quantity of those goods called Prise goods taken by war and Violence which Said Conduct of ours after a Mature Consideration thereof we do Utterly Condemn and are Sorry for it hereby Testifying to friends and Publickly Declaring to all People to whom these Presents may come that as our Conduct therein is Inconsistent with the Religious Profession we make, So we would take the Reproach thereof to ourselves and clear the Truth and the Profession thereof from the same Desiring forgiveness from the Divine Being and that friends would so far pass by this our misconduct as to let us Remain under their care hoping in future through Divine Assistance to be Preserved from the like misbehaviour.

from your friends — Dated ye 27th of the 1st month A.D. 1777.

Thos Akin — Barker Little
Timothy Howland — David Briggs
David Shepherd jur. — Elihu Slocum
Jonathan Howland

Jos [illegible] Nicholas Lapham 3d & [illegible] Wood gave in papers to this meeting Concerning their Purchasing some Prise goods which is accepted, Provided they Cause them to be Publickly Read as Usual & Report & Return the papers to next mo meeting. [illegible] the Same Committee [illegible]

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[illegible] continued [illegible] being concerned with those things & Report next mo meeting and draw testimony against those that decline rendering satisfaction if any there be & bring to next mo. meeting.

The Committee appointed to labour with Israel Rowland jr on account of his selling his Negro report that they have not discharged themselves on that account therefore they are still continued in that service & to report next mo meeting.

Joseph Tucker jr reports that he hath not Informed Walter Wood of his denial as ordered therefore he is Continued for that Service & to Report next mo meeting.

Stephen Mott denial

There was a Testimony against Stephen Mott Signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is ordered to Read it Publickly as usual & Report next mo meeting & John Williams is appointed to Inform sd Mott of his Denial & Report next mo meeting.

The Committee appointed to rais money by way of Subscription Report that they have Raised the Sum of £[illegible]" 1" 4 L. mo. of which is paid to the Committee that finished the land around the meeting house the Sum of £5" 2s" 2½ and the remain [illegible] to the Treasurer [illegible].

There was a Testimony Signed in this meeting by the Clerk against Amos Willcox & the Clerk is ordered to read it publickly as usual & Report next mo meeting.

This meeting Collected 1" 8s" 7 L. m.

This meeting adjourns to the 16th instant after the meeting of worship which is to begin at ye 11th hour.

Met by adjournment ye 16th ye 3rd mo 1777 the representatives being called both present.

The friends appointed who with a Paper Subscribed by the Clerk of Discipline &c Report that they have [illegible] and are considering but are not ready for a Report [illegible] therefore they are still continued for that service & to make Report next mo meeting.

Jonathan & Huldah Willbur gave in a paper requesting to come under friends care with their Children and our friends Philip Allen & Prince Allen are appointed to join the women and take an opportunity of Solid Conference with them in order to discover the motive of their Request and Report next mo meeting.

Abiel Gifford Requests to come under friends Care and we appoint Wm Mosher & Wm Barker to take an opportunity of Solid Conference with him in order to Discover the motive of his Request & Report next mo meeting.

Removal certificates for Jas Barker Job Rowland jr Jona Hart

There was Certificates Signed in this meeting for James Barker Job Rowland jr & Jonathan Hart the two first to the mo meeting of ye Nine partners the Latter to the mo meeting of Smithfield they being a going there to make Some Stay.

Wm Barker gave in an account to this meeting for hay which he Procured at our Quarterly meeting in the 11th mo last which is allowed and the treasurer is ordered

3 mo 1777 to pay the Same which is £1"4 L.M. and make Report next mo meeting.
William Anthony jun & Samuel Smith [illegible] Allen and [illegible] Anthony are appointed to [illegible] and collect this meetings [illegible] in order to pay [illegible] and Report next mo meeting — also to Settle accounts with the Treasurer.

Elders Appd by Susannah Smith Deborah Hayden - Deborah Hicks - The Womens Inform that they have appointed Susannah Smith Deborah Hayden & Deborah Hicks in the place of Elders which this meeting Concurs with and they with our friends Wm [illegible] & Thos Hicks is Recommended as Elders to the Quarterly meeting.

The Queries was Answered in this meeting and Read Answers together with a Epistle which was Signed in this meeting was Ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Caleb Russell Wm Mosher Thos Hicks John Williams & William Anthony jun and they to make Report next monthly meeting.

4 mo 1777 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth On the 4th 4 mo 1777 The Representatives are Caleb Russell & James Davis Present.

The Clerk Reports he hath Read the testimonys against Joseph Russell jun & the Sons of Benjamin Allen as ordered Last mo meeting — Sd testimonies are as followeth,

Whereas Joseph Russell the Son of Caleb Russell and David Allen Jonathan Allen & Elezer Allen being the Sons of Benjn Allen all having had their Education amongst friends but by Departing from their Education and the Testimony of Truth have So far gone astray as to be Concerned in Receiving buying Carting or otherwise Concerned in those goods taken in the war by force of arms [illegible] those goods called Prize goods and friends and friends having Laboured with Each of them in order to Discover to them the Evil of Such a practice but friends Labour of Love not having its desired Effect these are therefore given forth as a Publick Testimony against them the sd Joseph Russell David Allen Jonathan Allen & Elezer Allen hereby Denying & disowning them from being members of our Society and from under the care of this meeting untill by unfeigned Repentance and acknowledge of the Error of their ways they shall be Restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our mo meeting of friends held in Dartmouth ye 17th 2nd mo 1777
by Wm Anthony jun Clerk.

Whereas Ralph Allen Son of Benjamin Allen & Allathea his wife having had a Birthright among friends but hath so far departed from our Profession as to Inlist or Enter on board of a Vessel of war fitted a Privateer and being convinced that Service this meeting is Concerned to maintain our Testimony against such [illegible] we give these forth as a testimony against him & do hereby disown him the said Ralph Allen from being a member of our Society & from under the care of this meeting.

Given forth & Signed in & on behalf of our mo meeting held in Dartmouth 17th 2mo 1777.
by Wm Anthony jun Clerk.
Luthan Wood Job Gifford Nicholas Lapham

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hath Caused their paper to be Publickly Read & Returned to this meeting as ordered last mo meeting - ſ paper is as followeth,

To the Monthly Meeting held 17th Day 3 mo 1777.

Whereas Some time past, We Inconsiderately Purchased Some goods called Prize good and upon a further Consideration find it is Contrary to the Principals of Truth which we are Sorry for and do Condemn and desire friends to pass it by and let us Remain under their Care - from your friends

Nathan Wood
Job Gifford
Nicholass Lapham.

Part of the Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that are [illegible] on account of being concerned with Prize goods Report that Joseph Russell and Benjn Russell Desires Condemning their Conduct in that matter to friends Satisfaction therefore the Same Committee are Continued to Labour further with them & if they give no Satisfaction to draw Testimony against them & bring to next mo meeting.

There was a Testimony Signed in this meeting by the Clerk against Wm Russell Son of Timothy Russell & the Clerk is ordered to Read it publickly as usual & Report to next mo meeting.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid £1..4..0 L.m. to Wm [illegible] as ordered last mo meeting.

This meeting not being fully Satisfied on account of Isaac Howland [illegible] his Right and being Somewhat Differently minded in that affair Concludes to ask the advice of the Quarterly meeting therein.

[illegible] Reports that he hath Informed [illegible] of his denial as ordered last mo meeting.

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the Testimony against Stephen Mott as ordered ſ Testimony is as followeth

Whereas Stephen Mott Son of Jacob Mott having had a Birth Right & membership with us but hath So far Deviated from our Principals as to [illegible] himself [illegible] & having been Laboured with in love for his misconduct in order to Reclaim him from the Evil of his ways and friends Labour not having its desired Effect therefore for the Clearing of Truth from such practices we give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him & to deny him from being a member of this meeting - Nevertheless desiring if it be Consistant with Divine Pleasure that he may Come to a Sight of his Outgoings & Return. Signed in & on behalf of our mo meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th 3d mo 1777

by Wm Anthony jun Clerk

John Williams not having Informed Stephen Mott of his denial as ordered he is Still continued for that Service & to make Report next mo meeting.

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1777. There was a Removal Certificate Signed for [illegible] wife of [illegible] to the mo meeting of [illegible].

[illegible] This meeting [illegible] to [illegible] with the [illegible] of [illegible] in being [illegible].

The Clerk Reports that he [illegible] the testimony against [illegible] Wilcox as ordered last mo meeting, the testimony is as followeth;

Whereas [illegible] Wilcox Son of [illegible] Wilcox [illegible] in the township of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol & Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England having been [illegible] in the way of Truth [illegible] and a Disobedience to the Testimony of Truth [illegible] and [illegible] of [illegible] Company [illegible] & [illegible] and in the attending of meetings, which conduct being Reproachful and Contrary to our Profession and friends having Laboured with him in love in order to bring him to a Sight of his Error but our Labour not proving Effectual he still continuing in [illegible] Therefore for the Clearing of Truth and friends from the Reproach thereof this meeting is Concerned to give this as a Publick Testimony against him & Disowning the sd [illegible] Wilcox from being under our care yet desiring if it be agreeable with Divine goodness that he may yet come to a Sight of the Error of his ways and through unfeigned Repentance find mercy.

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the [illegible] day of y 4 mo 1777 and Signed in and by order of sd meeting

by Wm Anthony jun Clerk.

We understand the matter in Regard to what Children have proper Birth Rights & who not by the Rules of our Society is [illegible] from the Quarterly meeting to the Yearly meeting for an Explanation thereof therefore the Committee appointed in our meeting for that Service is Dismissed.

Uriel Gifford
[illegible] The friends appointed to have an opportunity with Uriel Gifford Report that he gave them good Satisfaction therefore we accept of the sd Gifford to be under our care.

The Committee appointed to have an opportunity of Conference with Jonathan Wilbur Report that sd Wilbur gave them good Satisfaction but he not being present [illegible] sd matter is Refered to next mo meeting under the care of the Same Committee as heretofore.

Martha [illegible] and 2 Daughters rec'd
The Women Inform that they have received into membership Martha [illegible] and [illegible] their two Daughters [illegible] which this meeting Concurs with.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended sd meeting but have not Produced their Epistle by Reason it was not Transcribed. Two Epistles from London and one from the meeting of Sufferings in Philadelphia were Read in this meeting to good Satisfaction & the Clerk is ordered to read them Severally at his Descression at the Close of Some of our Publick meetings of worship.

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Charles &
Ebenezer
Slocum
denied

This meeting is informed that Charles Slocum & Ebenezer Slocum Sons of Charles Slocum Deceased who Removed from hence Some years past & residing [illegible] among friends but they having been lately Visited & treated with by two friends of this meeting who Report that sd Slocums owned them selves to have been Concerned in military matters & not discovering in them any disposition to a return or reformation therefore we do disown them from being members of our Society and appoint Benjn Howland and Joseph Russell to draw a Testimony against them & bring to next mo meeting and Caleb Russell is appointed to inform them of their denial as soon as he conveniently can & report to this meeting.

The Committee appointed to Revise and correct the meetings minutes not having Compleated it they are Still Continued for that Service & also to Settle Accounts with the Treasurer & Report next mo meeting.

Giles Slocum Requests a Certificate to the Monthly meeting of [illegible] Certifying his Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation therefore William Anthony & Benjn Russell are appointed to Inquire into sd matter and report one of them [illegible] to next mo meeting.

The friends appointed to oversee the meeting at [illegible] make Report that sd meeting hath been kept up as orderly as Usual, heretofore and they Request the Same may be Continued as heretofore for the year Ensuing which is Granted and Caleb Russell & Seth Russell & [illegible] is appointed to oversee the sd meeting [illegible] with & to make at the Expiration thereof.

this meeting Collected £1..10..8 L. money.

5 mo
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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th The 5th mo 1777. The Representatives are Benjn Howland 2nd & Abraham Howland Present.

Received an Epistle from our Last Quarterly meeting which was Read and the Advice Therein was Accepted.

The Committee Appointed on the account of those friends Concerned in Slave Keeping make Report that they have not fully gone through with the matter they are therefore continued in the Same Service & to make Report next monthly meeting.

[illegible] Reports he hath informed [illegible] of his denial by friends.

The Clerk Reports he hath not Read the [illegible] according to Appointment he is therefore continued for that Service & to make Report next mo meeting.

Received a Testimony Signed in this meeting against Ebenezer & Charles Slocum Sons of Charles Slocum Deceased and the Clerk is ordered to Read the Same Publickly as Usual and Report next mo meeting.

The Committee Appointed to Revise & Correct the meeting minutes & to Settle accounts with the Treasurer

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report that they have performed their appointment & got the Testimony with the Clerk to be Recorded and Read [illegible] on the first day after [illegible] the sum of [illegible] Lawf money.

This meeting [illegible] [illegible] in the account of [illegible] [illegible] to the [illegible] meeting of 4th [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

This meeting is Informed that Reuben [illegible] hath Removed out of the Verge of this meeting some time past and not applying for a Certificate also neglects attending meetings and hath been Laboured with by one of ye Overseers & other friends but not finding Satisfaction therefore we appoint Caleb Russell and John Williams to Labour further with him for his misconduct and Report next mo meeting.

Jon: Wilbur and family rec'd. —

This Meeting in Concurrance with the Womens meeting doth accept of Jonathan Wilbur and Rhoda his Wife and all their Children to be members under the Care of this Meeting.

Prince Allen app'd Treas

This meeting appoints Prince Allen Treasurer in the room of Thos Hicks who by his Request is Dismissed.

This meeting Collected £1" 9s" 9d L. money.

6 mo
1777

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th the 6th mo 1777 The Representatives are William Sandford & Prince Allen Present.

The Queries were read and answers prepared in this meeting.

This meeting adjourns to the 23rd Instant after the meeting for worship which is to begin at ye 11th hour by reason of its now being the time of the yearly meeting.

Met by Adjournment ye 23rd 6 mo 1777.
The Representatives being Called both present.

The Greater part of the Committee appointed to Labour with those transgressors on account of prize goods Report that they have Discharged themselves in that matter and Elijah Russell and Benjamin Russell gave them no Satisfaction on that account and sd Committee hath Draughted and brought testimonies against them to this meeting yet the matter is Refered one month Longer at the Request of William Barker and Joseph Austin as they Express a Concern to Labour further with them and they to Report next monthly meeting.

The Clerk Reports he hath Read the Testimonies against Wm Russell & [illegible] [illegible] as directed Last mo meeting. Sd Testimonies are as followeth

Whereas William Russell Son of [illegible] Russell having been Educated among friends and under the Care of this meeting but hath So far departed from our Profession as to Enter into the Wars which being so Inconsistent with our Profession and Principles and Reproachfull to our Society that this meeting is Concerned to give this forth as a publick testimony against the Same William Russell hereby Disowning him from being Under our Care, yet Desiring if it be Agreeable with Divine Pleasure that he may Come

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to Sight and Sense of the Evil of their proceeding and through a Sincere Repentance find mercy.

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 22d of ye 4th mo 1777 and Signed in and by order of sd meeting
by William Anthony Jr Clerk.

Whereas Ebenezer Slocum and Charles Slocum Sons of Charles Slocum Deceas'd and Sarah his wife, having had a Right of Membership amongst us, but they Departing So far from the Principles [illegible] as to be concerned in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] labour with them on that account. But they Discovering no disposition of a Return or Reformation, therefore this Meeting being Concern'd to maintain our Testimony herein do hereby Publickly Disown and testify against them the sd Ebenezer and Charles Slocum from being members of our Religious Society until by a Sincere Repentance & Reformation they Shall be [illegible] to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and by order of our Monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 5th mo 1777
by William Anthony Jr Clerk.

Judith Akin and Abigail Howland denied.

The Women Inform they have Denied Judith Akin and Abigail Howland [illegible] which we concur with.

The Committee appointed to Labour with Joshua [illegible] Report that they have not [illegible] accomplished the matter therefore its Refered under their Care and they to make Report next mo meeting.

also Elizabeth Russell

There was a Testimony of Denial against Elizabeth Russell wife of Benjamin Russell Signed in this meeting by the Clerk.

Bethiah Eldridge rec'd

The women Inform they have Received Bethiah Eldridge under their Care which we Concur with.

Our friends [illegible] [illegible] William Anthony Jr [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and report next mo meeting and present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries.

A New Choice of Overseers is Refered to next mo meeting and the former Continued in that Service till a New Choice is made

This meeting Collected £2..3s..5d L money.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 16th 6mo 1777 the representatives are Wm Barker & Joseph Tucker present.

Jno Williams and Martha Corbory [illegible]

John Williams and Martha Corbory Declared their Intention of taking each other in marriage and were [illegible] to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer and [illegible] [illegible] and Wm Barker are appointed to Enquire into the Clearness of sd William Respecting marriage & Conversation and make Report next mo meeting

A new Choice of Overseers both of the meeting and of ye Poor is Refered to next mo meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report they all attend'd agreeable to appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the Same with a Transcript of a written one from London bearing Date from ye 27th the 5 mo 1776 to the 1st of ye 6mo Inclusive

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with a Transcript from Philadelphia with our Last yearly meeting Epistle with an Extract from Some of the Yearly meeting minutes all of which have been Read in this meeting to Some Satisfaction and the sd Transcript from London is order'd to be Publickly Read in each of our meetings for worship.

Joseph Gifford and William Barker make Report that they have had a Conference with Joseph Russell and Benjn Russell agreeable to their appointment and that the said Benjn did not Give them Satisfaction therefore he is hereby Denied from being a Member of this meeting and the Clerk hath Signed a paper of Denial against him and is order'd to read it Publickly as Usual & make Report next mo meeting. And their Report Respecting Joseph Russell not being wholly Satisfactory the matter is Referred at ye Request of John Potter to next mo meeting & Nicholas Howland is appointed to Inform Benjn Russell of his Denial & Report next mo meeting.

Benja Russell denied.

The Committee appointed on account of Joshua Sherman Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction for his Removing without the advice of friends & not Requesting a Certificate therefore we appoint our friends [illegible] and John Williams to See if his outward affairs be Settled to Satisfaction and [illegible] of this [illegible] and bring them to next Monthly meeting.

This meeting in Concurrence with the Womens meeting hath Signed a Testimony against Elizabeth Howland wife to Benja Howland.

Elizabeth Howland denied

This meeting is Informed that Jonathan [illegible] hath [illegible] out of the Unity of friends after being Precautioned [illegible] by the [illegible] and the [illegible] Sin of fornication by Appearing [illegible] according to his own Confession therefore this meeting doth Disown him the said Jonathan Slocum, and Philip Allen & Thomas Smith are appointed to Draft a paper of Denial against him and Inform him thereof and to make Report next mo meeting.

Jona Slocum denied

We are Informed that Thomas Wilson & William [illegible] hath Removed [illegible] these parts [illegible] they have been treated with by friends for their misconduct but have not Given them Satisfaction therefore our friends John Potter & Benja [illegible] are appointed to draw up a paper of Denial against them and to make report next mo meeting.

We appoint our Friends William Barker [illegible] Allen John Potter Benja Howland and William Anthony Jr to have the oversight & care of the ground purchased Round our meeting house and Empowered to Permit [illegible] for the use of [illegible] at the time of the Quarterly meeting and other times as they shall See cause upon Application made to them.

Overseers Inform that they have [illegible] Forgiven [illegible] this meeting [illegible]

Joseph [illegible] denied

Collected £1..11..1 [illegible]

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Wm Barker 4 Dollars [illegible] years keeping the meeting house and £1..3 for other Charges which he paid for this meeting. [illegible] Treasurer

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is ordered to pay Joseph Rotch £2 " 8 " 0 for Peter Barney for the hire of a vessel to goe to Nantuckit.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 8 mo 1777 [illegible] Joseph Barker & Prince Allen present.

[illegible]

[illegible] that they have found nothing to obstruct his [illegible].

[illegible] desiring that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in Some Convenient time between this & next mo. [illegible] this meeting [illegible] appointed for that [illegible] [illegible] next mo meeting.

[illegible] among friends to be read in their familys.

Overseers

We appoint our friends Joseph Barker James Davis Prince Allen & William Anthony jun Overseers of the meeting for the year Ensuing and an Additional Choice is Refered to next mo meeting.

Caleb Russell Seth Russell Benjn Rider [illegible] are appointed [illegible] of the Poor for the year Ensuing.

The Clerk [illegible] testimony against Benjn Russell and Nicholass [illegible] Russell of his Denial Last mo meeting. — Sd testimony is as followeth,

Whereas Benjn Russell (son of Benjn Russell [illegible] so far Departed from our Religious Profession as to purchase Some of those goods Called Prise Goods taken in the war, and this meeting having Laboured with him in Love in order to Discover to him the Evil of his sd Conduct but our Labour therein not being Effectual, therefore for the Clearing of our testimony [illegible] this meeting is concerned to give this forth as a Publick testimony against [illegible] being a member of our Society [illegible]

[illegible] in Dartmouth the [illegible] day of the 12 mo 1777

by Wm Anthony jun Clerk.

[illegible] Requests a [illegible] the meeting of Acoakset [illegible] Respecting [illegible] and Conversation thereupon Samuel Smith & Thos Hicks are appointed to take the necessary Care on that account & make Report next mo meeting.

Visit of [illegible]

Our Beloved friends Aaron Lancaster and David Sands were at this meeting on a Religious Visit, [illegible] testimony and Visit hath been well Accepted And Samuel Smith & Wm Anthony jun are appointed to [illegible] friends and being [illegible] to the adjournment of this meeting

This meeting adjourns to the 2th Instant

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ye [illegible] meeting for worship.

Met by Adjournment the 27th of ye 8 mo 1777 The Representatives Called both present.

[illegible] made Report Respecting Joseph Russell and he tho Russell gave in a paper to this meeting which was [illegible] from Satisfaction and the matter is Refer'd to next mo meeting for some alteration in sd paper if he think fit to alter the Same.

Removal Jos Freeman [illegible]

This meeting Signed Removal Certificates for Joshua Freeman & Joshua Freeman jun to the mo meeting of [illegible] who have Removed thither Some time ago.

[illegible] Denied

A paper of Denial was Signed against Jonathan [illegible] and the Clerk is Ordered to Read the Same Publickly [illegible] and make Report next mo meeting but ye Committee not having Inform'd him of his Denial Philip Allen is Ordered to Inform him of his sd Denial & Report next mo meeting.

Jon Green & wife [illegible] Certificate

Received a Removal Certificate from the Monthly meeting of Greenwich for Jonathan Green and Martha ye wife who have moved here & is accepted.

Easter Russell Denied

A paper of Denial was Signed in this meeting against Easter Russell wife of Paul Russell in Concurrence with the Womens meeting.

The Committee appointed to Treat with [illegible] and Thos Wilcox Report that they have had a Conference with them. The former of which gave them a Degree of Satisfaction, the Latter Appeared in a State of [illegible] [illegible], yet they have Each of them Given in a Paper Concerning their misconduct, but neither of them Satisfied this meeting [illegible] Committee are still Continued to Treat with them once more and to Draw a Paper of Denial against Wilcox if he do not Give them Satisfaction and bring it & make Report unto next meeting.

The Committee [illegible] Respecting Joseph [illegible] is therefore still Continued & bring the Same & Report next mo meeting.

This meeting doth Conclude at ye Request of the [illegible] of our Quarterly meeting Committee to hold our next mo meeting on the [illegible] day preceeding [illegible] meeting being the [illegible] day of the week and to begin at the [illegible] hour.

This meeting being Inform'd that Nathaniel [illegible] hath [illegible] with the [illegible] and [illegible] therefore we appoint [illegible] Slocum & Philip Allen to Labour further with him and to Draw a Paper of Denial against him if they find no Satisfaction and bring to next mo meeting.

Certificates for [illegible] and [illegible] were Signed in this meeting. The former is to the mo meeting at [illegible] the latter to the mo meeting of [illegible].

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At a Monthly Meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Representatives [illegible] [illegible] present.

[illegible]

J.ᵒ Gifford & Wᵐ Barker Reports they attended the marriage of [illegible] & [illegible] and that it was [illegible].

An additional Choice of Overseers is Refered to [illegible] meeting.

[illegible] for Stephen Gifford Respecting his Clearness of marriage and Conversation Directed to ye mo meeting of Accoakset.

The matter Respecting Joseph Russell is Refered to next mo meeting under their care of John Potter who is then to make Report.

The Clerk Reports he hath read the Testimony against Jonathan Slocum ordered Last mo meeting but Philip Allen not having [illegible] [illegible] next mo meeting.

The Committee that have the Care of that Matter Respecting Wᵐ Sandford jun and Thoˢ Willcox Report that they found Some Satisfaction [illegible] next mo meeting [illegible] make Report.

The Treasurer not having paid the money [illegible] [illegible] Report when it is done.

The Committee appointed to [illegible] with [illegible] Report they have had a Conference with him and [illegible] Satisfaction [illegible] the matter is Refered to next mo meeting [illegible] Committee as before and Benjᵃ [illegible] & Samuel [illegible] is added to them and they to Report next mo meeting and [illegible] Satisfaction.

We appoint our friends Samuel Smith Prince Allen John Williams Benjᵃ Rider a Committee to Collect the Account of the Sufferings of friends within the Compass of this meeting & bring them to this meeting.

Benjᵃ [illegible]

Benjamin Howland 3ᵈ and Mary Slocum declared their Intention of taking Each Other in marriage and were desired to wait till next mo meeting for their Answer and Wᵐ Barker & Stephen Gifford are appointed to Enquire into the young mans Clearness and to make Report next mo meeting.

Collected £3.. 6.. 1 L. mo.

This meeting to the 24th Instant after the meeting for worship.

Met by Adjournment ye 24th Day ye 9mo 1777.

The Representatives Called both present.

The Committee from the Quarterly meeting appointed to Advise this meeting in a matter Respecting Isaac Howlands freeing his Negro or other matters as truth opens the way have given in [illegible] in writing as their advice which is well Accep-

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Dartmouth ye 11th ye 9 mo 1777.

We the Committee appointed by our last Quarterly meeting to Visit the mo meeting of friends at Dartmouth [illegible] help of their Discipline [illegible] and more especially [illegible] principles [illegible] the friends have [illegible] of our Rule [illegible] Observe [illegible] That sometimes when any friends may be in a Capacity of [illegible] to assist any in Bondage in order to Procure their freedom if Time & opportunity admits that such friends before they proceed therein lay the same before the mo meeting to which he belongs & take their advice, yet if he should for want of time or opportunity proceed therein without the advice of friends as above we think it may be safe for the Monthly meeting where the benevolent intention of [illegible] by attending circumstances is [illegible] may Escape the censure of Society.

John Collins
[illegible]
Thos Hazzard son of Robt
Isaac Wilkinson

And the matter Respecting Isaac Howland is Referred to this meeting Committee that had the Care of that matter Last in Charge & they to Judge thereon and make Return to this meeting when they have fulfil'd the Same.

The Queries were Answered and an Account [illegible] in this meeting [illegible] forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are [illegible] & Thos [illegible] and they to Report next mo meeting.

By Direction from Last Quarterly meeting [illegible] Quarterly meeting [illegible] and make Report next mo meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 20th 10 mo 1777 the Representatives are Caleb Russell and Philip Allen Present.

[illegible] to next mo meeting.

Joseph Russell give in a paper to this meeting Concerning his Suffering his [illegible] paper to next mo meeting.

The Committee appointed on the Case of [illegible] and Thos [illegible] to next mo meeting [illegible] and then they to make Report.

The friends appointed to Inspect into Benja Howland 2nd Clearness Respecting marriage Report that they dont find any thing to hinder his proceeding.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they all attended and have Produced an Epistle from [illegible]

10 mo 1777 The Treasurer Reports he hath sent the money to the yearly meetings Treasurer agreeable to his appointment.

Benjn Howland 2nd and Mercy Slocum appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time before next mo meeting having [illegible] consent this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and Joseph Gifford & Wm [illegible] are appointed to see the marriage consummated orderly & report next mo meeting.

Mary Slocum [illegible] The Women inform they have received a Removal certificate for Mary Slocum wife of Benj Slocum which this meeting concurs with.

also Martha [illegible] They also inform they have received a Removal certificate for Martha Slocum wife of John Slocum with all her children except the youngest which being born since they removed their [illegible] received a member at the Request of the mother & the [illegible].

John Smith Son of Isaac Smith Deceased requests a Removal certificate to ye mo meeting at the Nine Partners therefore we appoint [illegible] to take the necessary care therein and Draw one for him if they find things clear and bring it to next mo meeting.

[illegible] Howland also Requests a Removal certificate to the mo meeting at the Nine Partners therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker and Wm [illegible] to draw one for him if they find things clear upon due Enquiry & bring it to next mo meeting.

Collected £4 " 5 " 1 L. mo.

11 mo 1777 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of 11 mo 1777 the Representatives are Benjn Howland 2nd & Prince Allen present.

Joseph Russells paper having been read as ordered and is returned to this meeting — the paper is as followeth,

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends in Dartmouth

Respected Friends

Having some time past suffered my Team to go on [illegible] a small distance and thereby offended my friends for which I am sorry and do condemn hoping you may so far pass it by as to let me remain under your care.

From your friend Joseph Russell.

This meeting not being fully satisfied to accept of Wm [illegible] and [illegible] Russells paper therefore the matter [illegible] them is referred to next mo meeting under the same friends care as heretofore and then they to report.

Edward [illegible] hath given in a paper to this meeting condemning his marrying out of the Unity of friends and Requests to be received into Unity again therefore James Davis and John Williams are appointed to take an opportunity of Solid Conference with him in order to discover his Sincerity and make Report next mo meeting.

Prince Allen Reports he hath informed Nathaniel [illegible] of his denial as ordered but clerk not having read his denial he is continued for that service and to Report next mo meeting.

11 mo 1777 Josep Tripp and Wm Barker Report they attended the marriage of [illegible] and saw nothing but that it was accomplished orderly.

Mary Howland [illegible] This meeting Signed a Certificate for Mary Howland to the mo meeting at the Nine Partners.

Lillis Mac[illegible] rec^d The Women Inform they have Received into membership Lillis Maccomber which this meeting concurs with.

The friends appointed to draw Certificates for [illegible] Smith and Gilbert Howland Report that things are not fully clear in regard to sd Smith they are Still Continued and to advise him as they think proper and Report next mo meeting, and they have prepared a certificate for Gilbert Howland and brought which was Signed in this meeting.

Gilbert Howland [illegible] Philip Allen Reports he hath Informed Jonathan Slocum of his Denial as ordered Some time past.

Benj^a Howland 2nd hath given in an account to this meeting for [illegible] to the amount of £4"14"3 L money which is allowed and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the Same and Report next mo meeting.

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid [illegible] for [illegible] agreeable to his appointment Some time past.

Collected £"14"9.

12 mo 1777. At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 15th 12 mo 1777 the Representatives are Benj^a Taber & Joseph Tucker, are present.

The matter respecting an additional Choice of Overseers is being considered in this meeting and not finding any willing to accept the matter is dismissed.

Thos Willcox [illegible] The Committee appointed on account of Prist Willcox and Wm Sandford in Reports that P. Willcox gave them no Satisfaction therefore [illegible] Willcox [illegible] - Sd Sandford gave the Committee some Satisfaction therefore sd Committee is still continued and Jonathan [illegible] in that matter & to Report next mo meeting also to Draw a testimony against sd Willcox and bring to next mo meeting Likewise Inform him of his Denial.

Edw^d Taber [illegible] The Committee appointed on account of Edward Taber Report they have received a degree of Satisfaction. Therefore we conclude to accept of [illegible] under our care.

The Clerk Reports he hath read the testimony against Nathaniel Kirby as ordered. Said Testimony is as followeth,

Nat^l Kirby [illegible] Whereas Nathaniel Kirby hath Some time past taken up arms in the military Service and the Committee appointed to labour with him therefor, hath made Report that he gave them no satisfaction, Therefore for the Clearing of our testimony herein this meeting doth disown him from being a member of our Society and from under the care of friends, and the Clerk is ordered to read this minute publickly at the close of a first day meeting as usual & report next mo meeting.

Whereas Jonathan Slocum hath professed with us as a member of our Society but hath So far dep

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transgression as to [illegible] out of unity of friends [illegible] and [illegible] accompanied by his wife having a Child begotten [illegible] Wherefore this meeting being concerned to maintain our Testimony [illegible] doth give this forth as a publick Testimony against him hereby disowning the s^d Jonathan [illegible] from being a member of our society untill he by sincere Repentance & acknowledgement for so doing as [illegible] shall be Restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth at our mo meeting held in Dartmouth by adjournment the 27th the 8th mo 1777 & signed in & by order of s^d meeting
by Wm Anthony jun Clerk.

The Committy appointed to draw a Certificate for John Smith Report that said matter is not accomplished, therefore said Committee are still continued for that service and make report when ready.

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid Benjamin Howland the money as ordered the last Monthly meeting.

We received a paper from [illegible] Sanford signifying his [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Committee appointed Joseph [illegible] Thomas Hicks Benjamin Rider and William Barker, to take an opportunity of conference with the Petitioner in order to discover their sincerity and whether [illegible] request [illegible] from the bottom of their [illegible], and make report when ready.

Nicholas Howland [illegible] Mary Lapham

We received a Certificate for Nicholas Howland from Coakset meeting which is accepted.

The Women friends Inform that they have [illegible] Mary Lapham wife of Nicholas Lapham under their care [illegible]

This meeting collected £3..12..2

This meeting adjourns [illegible]

This meeting held by adjournment the 24th of 12th month 1777 The Representatives being called, both present.

The Querys were answered in this meeting And an Epistle Signed for the Quarterly meeting, and forwarded by our Representatives to said Quarterly meeting; Who are William Barker William Anthony jun Caleb Russell and [illegible] Howland, and they to make report to the next Monthly meeting.

William Anthony Jun gave in a bill for keeping Alice Smith from the 24th of the 4th month to the 28th of the 10th month 1777 which is Six months; as by agreement with the Overseers of the Poor; To the amount of £5..18..6^d. Which is approved, and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same and report to next Monthly meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 1st month 1778. The Representatives are Benjamin Smith [illegible] John Williams, Present.

The Comitty appointed on the case of Thomas Wilcox and William Sanford, make report that the matter is not being fully Settled in regard of Sanfords desiring it to be continued therefore

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it is referred to next Monthly meeting under their care, Who are then to make report; They also make report that they have [illegible] their appointment respecting said Wilcox and have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] which after being read and considered and signed by the Clerk who is ordered to Read the Same as Usual and make report to our next mo. meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting [illegible] [illegible] reasonable excuse. They also produced an Epistle from said meeting which was read and kindly accepted.

[illegible] [illegible] to enquire [illegible] and report to the next Monthly meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] application [illegible] which was granted, and one being prepared was signed by the Clerk.

[illegible] Oakham (denied)

The Women friends [illegible] [illegible] which this meeting concurring with.

Saml Gifford and Lydia Macomber intentions

Samuel Gifford and Lydia Macomber declared their intentions of taking each other in Marriage: and were ordered to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer: and [illegible] are appointed to Enquire into his clearness [illegible] and to make report to next Monthly meeting.

Nicholas Lapham requests that his children may be taken under the care of this Meeting: therefore William Anthony Jr and Thomas Hicks are appointed to take the needful care in that case and make report to next Monthly meeting.

This meeting Collected £5..16..3.

Timothy Russell hath given in a paper to this meeting concerning his purchasing Some Prize goods: But as he hath some time past [illegible] for the use of an [illegible] to [illegible] which hath given uneasiness to divers friends. Therefore this meeting doth appoint Benjamin Taber William Mosher and Samuel Smith to have conference with him in those matters and give in their report [illegible] to the next Monthly meeting.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of 2nd month 1778. The Representatives are William Barker and Benjamin Taber, Present.

Members admitted John [illegible] [illegible] children

The Committee appointed [illegible] with John [illegible] their appointment and have found good satisfaction, therefore they are [illegible] received [illegible] John [illegible] children names are Sarah and [illegible] and Abiel Giffords children names are Levi, Elihu [illegible], Jeremiah Abiel and Susanna

The Committee appointed on account of [illegible] [illegible] the matter [illegible] [illegible] to report next Monthly meeting.

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The Clerk reports he hath not [illegible] Timothy Russell's denial as desired therefore, he is continued to accomplish the same and report to next Monthly Meeting.

The Treasurer reports he has paid William Anthony [illegible] the money as desired last Monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed to inquire into [illegible] clearness respecting marriage report that they find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting Richard [illegible] children being taken under the care of friends desire it to be referred therefore said matter is referred to next Monthly meeting.

Samuel [illegible] and [illegible] Macomber appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between now and next monthly meeting, adviseing with the friends that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and [illegible] Howland and [illegible] Allen are appointed to see the said marriage solemnized and to make report next monthly meeting.

Joseph Rotch Requests a removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting at Nantucket therefore this meeting appoints [illegible] and Seth Russell to take the necessary care on that account and bring one to next monthly meeting if they think proper.

The matter respecting Timothy Russell is referred to next monthly meeting for further consideration.

This meeting Collected £2" 8" 5

The Quarterly Meeting's Committy that was appointed to visit and advise this meeting on account of Isaac Howland's purchasing a Negroe; have given in the following advice; which is accepted, and that matter is dismissed, and this meeting's Committy discharged therefrom.

The advice of the Quarterly meetings Committy is as followeth.

We whose names are hereunto subscribed, being a Committy to advise the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth, Respecting a matter of Isaac Howland's being concerned with a Negroe &c: Having had an Opportunity with him and said Monthly Meetings Committy and considered the case, find upon it that there is at least an appearance of weakening our Testimony against Slavery in his conduct: therefore think [illegible] of the care of the meeting in the case; yet we have Learnt by strict inquiry, he had no such intent; But rather acted from a Benevolent motive and has manumitted said Negroe therefore we advise said meeting to drop that matter.

Dartmouth the 10th day of the 2nd month 1778

S. Hazard son of [illegible]
Joshua Davol
Moses Farnum
Benjn [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Robinson

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of 3rd month 1778 the Representatives are Peleg Gifford and Benjamin Smith Jr present

The Committee appointed in the case of William [illegible] Report that he hath given them a degree of Satisfaction, Therefore the Paper he gave in to this meeting condemning his purchasing Prize goods is accepted provided he cause the same publickly to be read as usual and return said paper to next monthly meeting.

The Clerk reports he hath read the paper of denial against Thomas Wilcox according to appointment Which is as followeth,

Whereas Thomas Wilcox hath through unwatchfulness so far deviated from the Principles of Truth as to purchase goods taken by violence and War, And after due admonition hath not condemned the same to the Satisfaction of this Meeting: therefore we give this forth as a publick Testimony against him denying him the right of membership with us: Yet desiring that he may by a sincere Repentance be brought to a sight and sense of his past life, and come to the fold of the Just with a [illegible] heart.

Given forth by our Monthly Meeting held at Aponegansett in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 1st month 1778.

Jro William Anthony Jun Clerk.

The matter in regard to Nicholas Lapham's Children is referred to next Monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Samuel Gifford and [illegible] Macomber report that they attended the marriage and that it was orderly accomplished.

The friends appointed in respect of Stephen [illegible] Certificate signify they have not accomplished said appointment therefore it is referred to next monthly meeting and they Continued for that Service.

Timothy Russell hath appeared in Person in this Meeting, and hath so far Condemned his Conduct in Letting out his house to Inoculate the Small Pox in, as this Meeting takes up with for Satisfaction. This meeting also Concludes to accept of his paper Condemning his purchasing Prize goods provided he cause the Same to be publickly read as usual and return it to next Monthly meeting.

David Shepard and his Son David each request a removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting at Smithfield, for themselves and Children under age. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] Sanford are appointed to inquire into their Circumstances and draw a Certificate for them if they think proper after due inquiry is made and make report and bring them to next Monthly meeting.

Certificates for [illegible] Allen and [illegible] Cornell directed to the monthly meeting at the Nine partners were Signed in this meeting, they being about to take their Journey within the Compass of said meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] hath given in a paper to this meeting Requesting to come into Unity with us again being free to condemn his misconduct in marrying out of the Unity of Friends: and in paying money toward the Support of War; Therefore [illegible]

3 mo 1778 [illegible] and [illegible] Slocum are appointed to have a Solid conference with him in order to know his Sincerity and to make Report next mo. meeting

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This meeting collected 2 " 17 " 7

This meeting adjourns to the 25th Instant after the Meeting of Worship which is to begin at the 11th hour.

This meeting met by adjournmet the 25th of the 3rd month 1778. The Representatives being called both present.

This meeting is Informed that Caleb Rathbone hath so far gone out from the order of Truth and friends as to forsake our meetings and follow Seperate meetings that are held out of the true unity of our Society. [illegible] having been Laboured with on that account, but little prevails in his mind, Whereupon this meeting appoints William Barker Joseph Tucker and Benjamin Taber to Labour further with him and make Report next Monthly meeting.

The Queries have been Read and Answers to this meeting and an Epistle Signed and Ordered forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by the Representatives, who are Thomas Hicks, Gideon [illegible] and William Anthony Jr and Abiel Gifford and they to report next Monthly meeting.

Geo and Joshua Slocum Denied. Whereas George Slocum and Joshua Slocum Sons of Ebenezer Slocum deceased having a Birthright amongst us by virtue of their parents membership amongst us, but they having long Since removed out of the compass of this meeting without any recommendation to any other or request any, and this meeting being Informed by the Monthly meeting of Greenwich that they have Lived wholly from the way of Truth and friends; particularly being Remarkable for a light and airy behavior with other disorderly practices; Therefore this meeting doth disown the said George and Joshua Slocum from a right of membership among us.

4 mo 1778 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of 4th month 1778 The Representatives are Benjamin Taber and Abiel Gifford Present

William Sanford Jr not having read his Paper by reason as he Saith that his wife not being well, it is therefore refered to next monthly meeting on the same condition as before.

The matter respecting Nicholas Lapham's Children is refered to next monthly meeting and the same friends continued in that Service and then to make report.

Joseph Rotch certificate signed. A Removal Certificate for our friend Joseph Rotch and wife to the Monthly meeting of Nantucket was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk.

Timothy Russells paper having been read and received to this meeting is accepted and is as followeth,

To the Monthly Meeting of friends held in Aponaganset on the 15th of 12th mo 1777.

Esteemed friends I Some time ago Purchased some Prise goods which I am now sorry for, and do Condemn the Same, hoping for the time to come may be more careful of meddling with such goods:

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therefore I desire that friends may pass by this offence and let me remain under their care as before.

From your well wishing friend   Timothy Russell.

Removal of
D Shepherd &
[illegible]

A Removal Certificate for David Shepherd his Wife and his Children to the monthly meeting of Smithfield was prepared in this meeting, but the friends that were appointed, not having prepared a Certificate for Daniel Shepherd Junr they are still continued for that Service and to make report next monthly meeting.

Jas Cornell
rec'd.

The Committee appointed to confer with James Cornel on his request to Come under friends care made a Satisfactory report therefore he is accepted as a member of this meeting.

The Committee appointed to Labour with [illegible] make Report that they have Laboured with him but have not obtained the desired Effect to their Satisfaction, but yet they desire the matter continued which is accordingly referred to next monthly meeting and then they to make Report.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended according to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the same which was read and well accepted, together with an Epistle from the meeting of Sufferings which contained much good advice and recommended to friends particular notice.

Benjn Tucker
disownd

This meeting is informed that Benjamin Tucker hath married out of the unity of friends, after being previously cautioned and advised to desist; therefore we do hereby disown him from being a member of this meeting. And William [illegible] is appointed to inform him thereof and report to next monthly meeting.

Mary Davis
rec'd

The Womens friends inform that they have received into unity Mary Davis wife of John Davis which this meeting concurs with.

This meeting concludes that meetings do begin at the Eleventh hour for the ensuing six months, Except at [illegible] fore, and there to begin as usually they have done.

This meeting collected [illegible]

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 5th month 1778 The Representatives are [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] present.

[illegible] Thompson for his paper having been read and returned, therefore he is accepted by this meeting.

D Shepherd Dew
his family
[illegible]

A Removal Certificate for David Shepherd his Wife and Children under age, directed to the Monthly meeting of Smithfield was Signed in this Meeting.

William Thompson [illegible] Paper which is [illegible] is as followeth

To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be holden in Dartmouth at Ponaganset the 18th of the 8th month 1777.

These Lines Comes to Inform you that [illegible] being So called: for which I am sorry for the [illegible] and [illegible] to condemn the Same: and desire friends would

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paid by the Officers and let the Remainder under their care and Keep it to their Bargain for the future.

From your friend   William Ferguson Clr

The Committee appointed in the case of Caleb Greenway not being fully Satisfied in that matter do therefore request to be continued; it is therefore referred to next Monthly Meeting and said Committee yet Continued and desired to make return to said next Monthly Meeting.

William Foster Jr having informed Benjamin Tucker of his denial he is therefore continued for that Service and to report to next Monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed to Oversee the meeting at Marriage (not being called upon at last Monthly meeting) have now given in their Report that they have attended the same which hath been kept we conceive and in as good order as usually they have been heretofore.

Removal of Naomi Gardner and Daughter & Rebecca Smith and Children.

Removal Certificates for Naomy Gardner and Daughter with Rebecca Smith wife of Daniel Smith with their Children except the youngest; directed to the Monthly meeting of the Ninepartners were Signed in this meeting.

Children of N. Lapham

This Meeting in Concurrance with the Womens Meeting doth Accept of Nicholas Lapham's Children as members of this Meeting.

Robt Allen denied and his wife.

This meeting is Informed that Robert Allen hath married out of the Unity of friends after being precautioned by friends; this meeting therefore doth hereby deny him from having a right of Membership with us: And the Women friends Inform that they have denyed Easter Allen now wife of Said Robert Allen, which this meeting concurs with; and Seth Russell is appointed to inform them of their denial and to make report to next Monthly Meeting.

also Hannah Woodman

The Womens friends likewise Inform they have denyed Hannah Woodman wife of Robert Woodman which this meeting doth also concur with.

Jonathan Hussey Jr and Bathsheba Russell 1st Time

Jonathan Hussey Jr and Bathsheba Russell declared their Intentions of taking Each other in Marriage in this meeting, and they desired to wait until the next Monthly meeting for their answer. they having first obtained Consent of Parents and Presented the Same in Writing to this meeting.

Our friends Samuel Smith and Thomas Hicks are appointed to Settle account with the Treasurer and make report to next Monthly Meeting.

This meeting Collection £2„19„5½

William Anthony Jr hath given in an account to this meeting for keeping Alice Smith 20 weeks Ending the 28th of the 4th month last att 4/8d per week which amounts to £[illegible]„6„4 Silver money which is allowed: and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the Same In Such manner and in Such Currency as the Overseers of the poor hath Contract and directed.

At a Monthly Meeting held in [illegible] [illegible] 1778 [illegible] Russell and Thomas Hicks are Representatives both present. [illegible]

[illegible] Folger [illegible] their Intentions of Marriage with [illegible] and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their answer. Also [illegible] Folger and [illegible] proposed their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their answer.

Folger and

This meeting Adjourns to next Second Day

This meeting met by adjournment [illegible] the 6th month 1778 The Representatives being called both present.

William [illegible] made report he hath informed [illegible] Tucker of his denial according to appointment. [illegible] also Reports he hath informed [illegible] of his denial according to appointment of last Monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to Treat with [illegible] Report that they have had a conference with him but he gave them but little Satisfaction, as request said matter [illegible] continued, which is accordingly and the Same Committee continued in that Service. And Joseph Folger Caleb Russell and [illegible] Folger [illegible] and to make report next Monthly meeting. And if [illegible] in his [illegible], said Committee is desired to draw up a Testimony against him and bring it to next Monthly meeting.

Jonathan [illegible] Jr hath produced a Certificate from [illegible] Meeting Certifying his Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation.

Visit of Aaron Lancaster & [illegible]

Our Beloved Friends Aaron Lancaster and [illegible] attended this meeting with their Certificates, the first from the [illegible] meeting held [illegible] 1778. the latter from the Monthly meeting held at [illegible] 5th month 1778 which being read to Satisfaction: Their Visit and Testimony in the Service of the Gospel was well accepted. And William [illegible] Jr and Samuel Smith are appointed to draw Certificates for these friends and bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting.

[illegible] desiring that they might be allowed to take each other in Marriage at some Convenient time, between this and next Monthly meeting, advising with the friends that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose who are Samuel Smith and Thomas Hicks and they to see their marriage solemnized orderly and make report to next Monthly meeting.

The [illegible] appointed at last Monthly meeting [illegible] Service and to make report next Monthly Meeting.

Elisabeth Johnson [illegible]

The Women Friends Inform they Received into Membership Elisabeth Johnson wife of [illegible] Johnson with their two daughters which this Meeting [illegible].

Joseph Roche having [illegible]

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[illegible] that this meeting gave [illegible] wife: yet his [illegible] at present being [illegible] and his said wife having already removed therefore this meeting signed a Certificate for his said wife and and have omitted his own at Present.

Eliz'th Hath [illegible] Certif.

Elisabeth Hathway hath produced a removal Certificate for herself and four of her Children namely [illegible] and George which was read and accepted together with a removal Certificate for Elisabeth Hathway jun Which is also accepted.

This meeting Collected £4..15..7 in paper mony
and 0..16..0 in Silver mony.

This meeting adjourns to the 24th of this Instant after the meeting of worship.

This meeting held by adjournment the 24th of the 6th month 1778 The Representatives being Called both Present.

[illegible]

Certificates for our friends Aaron Lancaster [illegible] were signed in this meeting and directed to the Monthly meetings where they belong.

The Queries were Answered and an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting signed and ordered forwarded to said Quarterly meeting by the Representatives, Who are Caleb Russell, William Mosher, Seth Russell and Abiel Gifford, and they to report next Monthly meeting

[illegible]

[illegible] Gifford Informed this meeting that [illegible] Quarterly meeting next to be at Falmouth, and this meeting after Considering thereof do Concur [illegible] the Clerk is ordered to give her a Coppy of this minute.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of 7th month 1778 The Representatives are James Davis and Benjamin Taber, Present.

Received Certificates for George Folger Jun and Sylvanus Folger Setting forth their clearness respecting Marriage.

George Folger Jun with Rebecca Slocum: And Sylvanus Folger with Avis Slocum appeared for their Answers; Which was that each Couple might proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and next Monthly meeting advising with the friends that this meeting Shall appoint who are William Gifford William Barker Prince Allen and Joseph Tucker and they to See said Marriage Solemnised orderly and make report next Monthly meeting.

One of the friends appointed Last Monthly meeting to oversee the marriage of Jonathan Sowle Jun and Bathsheba Russell make report that he attended Said Marriage which was accomplished orderly as Usual The other friend did not attend by Reason being at the Quarterly meeting. But William Anthony Jun made report that he attended in the Room of the other said friend: and that it was accomplished orderly.

The committee appointed to Settle accounts

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With the Treasurer reports they have received [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] on the book [illegible] [illegible] that this meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] in Silver money £ [illegible] .. 11

in Silver money [illegible]

Caleb Hathaway denied.

The Committee that had the care of that matter respecting Caleb Hathaway report that they have had an opportunity of conference with him and he gave them little or no satisfaction. Therefore this meeting [illegible] the said Hathaway from being under our care: and a testimony being signed in this meeting by the clerk who is ordered to [illegible] the same published in our usual manner and make report thereof to next monthly meeting: and [illegible] Russell is ordered to inform him of his denial and report to next monthly meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report they all attended except Caleb Russell who hath rendered his reason for not attending which hath been accepted. And they have produced an Epistle from the said Quarterly meeting which was read together with Epistles from London Yearly meeting, from the General Spring meeting of Ministers and Elders held in Philadelphia, and one from our [illegible] Yearly meeting [illegible] [illegible]: And as they contain much good and wholesome advice friends are earnestly desired to observe and accordingly consider the same. And as there is a [illegible] number of those London Epistles they are distributed among friends families.

The said Quarterly meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of Meeting respecting our discipline. Also the settlement of the Boundaries between Swanzey Monthly meeting and this. And likewise an alteration of the Boundaries between this Monthly meeting and Accoakset: all of which the clerk is ordered to record in their proper places.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Peleg Gifford [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for keeping the meeting house [illegible] a year.

This Meeting Collection in Paper money £2 .. 16 .. 9
out of which was paid to Caleb Russell for shoeing friends horses 2 .. 3 .. 6
Remains in Paper 0 .. 13 .. 3
[illegible] in Silver money [illegible]

The Paper respecting the settlement of the Boundaries [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Quarterly meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Establishment of Boundary lines between Dartmouth Rhode Island Accoaksett & Swanzey Monthly Meetings

We the Committee appointed to revise and settle the Boundaries between Rhode Island, Swanzey, Dartmouth and Accoakset Monthly Meetings, [illegible] [illegible] the same; and that there is some Inhabitants live between Swanzey and Dartmouth Monthly meetings [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]: [illegible] [illegible] concluded that the dividing line between said Monthly meetings be in the following manner (viz) that all those friends living in [illegible] to the [illegible] of [illegible] and Dartmouth belonging to this Quarterly meeting: [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

2 mo 1778. We also, with the concurrance of Dartmouth and Accoakset Monthly meetings make the following alteration in the boundaries between Said meetings (viz) Beginning in the old line at the Northeast corner of bounds of James Davis's land from thence a North line till it comes to Freetown line. Accordingly we Submit it to the Quarterly meeting.

Philip Tripp
2 month 14th day 1778 Thomas Estes
William Anthony Jun
Theofilas Shove Jun

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 8th month 1778 The Representatives are Caleb Russell and Holder Slocum both present.

The friends appointed to attend the marriages of George [illegible] and Rebecca Slocum and Sylvanus Edger and Lois Slocum have made report they attended said marriages and that they were orderly Consummated.

The friends appointed report that the Testimony against Isaac Hathaway hath been read as directed and that Caleb Russell hath Informed said Hathaway of his Denial agreeable to appointment.

Received a Coppy of the Testimony Given forth by our last Yearly meeting against a Pamphlet on Taxation &c Which hath been read in this meeting agreeable to the direction of Said Yearly meeting. Said Testimony is as followeth.

Pamphlet on Taxation

A Testimony Given forth from our Yearly meeting held at Smithfield from the 12th to the 16th of the 6th month Inclusive 1778 for New England.

Whereas a Piece in Manuscript upon the Subject of Taxation &c. being written by a member of our Religious Society, was brought under Consideration of our meeting for Sufferings before the Author was known, and some matter contained therein being altogether unsatisfactory to friends, and Inconsistant with our Religious Testimony; Enquiry was made, and Endeavours used to prevent the Publication or Spreading thereof without the desired Effect but the Same with Some additions and alteration was Published under the Title of "A Letter from a friend to some of his Intimate friends" Contrary to the good Order of our Society and the discouragement received from the Author; and the matter being laid before this meeting and weightily Considered, We are Constrained to give forth our Testimony against the Said Piece, and the Spirit it Conveys to the reader, as tending to Leaven the minds of friends with the Spirit of the World lamentably prevalent and to bring those who pay attention to Religious scruples under Suffering and Introducing Discord and divisions amongst friends as well as containing matter disagreeable to our Practice and Testimony as a people. And also contains

5 mo 1778 — the manner in which it was published to the World, being Inconsistent with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] recommended to by our friends

Signed in and by order of the above meeting
by Thomas Hathaway jun Clerk this time.

Testimony
Copy.

The Treasurer not having paid Peleg Gifford the money as ordered last Monthly meeting he is therefore still directed to pay the same and make report next monthly meeting.

Joseph [illegible] [illegible] — A Removal Certificate for Joseph [illegible] directed to the Monthly meeting in [illegible] was signed in this meeting he having removed thither.

Simeon Gifford hath given in a paper to this meeting condemning his buying a Ticket in a Lottery which this meeting accepts.

E [illegible] [illegible] — This meeting hath Signed and Sent a few lines to the Monthly Meeting of Swanzey Informing them that Edward Thurston & his wife and their Children are received as Members our Society and are within the Verge of that meeting as now Settled.

A new Choice of Overseers is Referred to next monthly meeting and those that have Stood as Such the year past are continued until next Monthly meeting.

Rebecca Thrasher [illegible] — The Women friends inform they have Signed a certificate for Rebeckah Thrasher Wife of Samuel Thrasher and Abigail Marston wife of John Marston which this meeting Concurs with.

[illegible] — A Removal Certificate for Hannah Howland wife of Job Howland with Rebecca her Daughter was Signed in this meeting directed to the Monthly Meeting at East Hoosuck.

This meeting Adjourns [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 6th mo 1778 The Representatives being called Joseph Tucker is present Abraham Howland not present by reason of Sickness.

Peleg Gifford hath informed this meeting that the Treasurer hath paid him the money as ordered the Said Treasurer not being present at this time.

A new Choice of Overseers is referred to next monthly meeting and the former ones are Still Continued in that Service, and Caleb Gifford is added to them.

This meeting doth Conclude to discontinue all our Week day meetings on the Same Week our Quarterly meetings is to be held in.

Elijah Gifford hath given in a paper to this meeting Requesting for himself and Children to be taken under the care of friends therefore this meeting appoints Thomas Hicks Nicholas Howland and William Barker to take an Opportunity of Solid conference with him and Endeavour to find the motive of his request and make Report next Monthly meeting.

John Allen hath given in a paper to to this Meeting Condemning his being Concerned in a Lottery, and

9 mo 1778. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Expressed himself in said Meeting by signing his Sorrow in regard to said matter Which this meeting accepts for satisfaction.

The Queries were answered in this Meeting and an Answer [illegible] for the Quarterly meeting and ordered forward to next Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are William Barker Seth Russell and Joseph Barker and they to report next Monthly meeting.

This Meeting being informed that Elihu [illegible] being carried away Prisoner by the British Troops, Therefore we appoint Seth Russell James Davis and [illegible] Gifford to confer with the meeting of Sufferings in order to procure his relief as they shall think proper.

The Overseer Inform that Samuel Mosher hath so far gon Contrary to our Profession, as to use Some bad Expressions in the manner of Swearing and other threatning Language and said Overseer hath Laboured with him therefor and he having Condemned said expressions to those that heard them yet declines to Condemn them Publickly to the Satisfaction of this Meeting Therefore we appoint Benjamin Howland and Benjamin Taber and [illegible] to Labour with him as they may think proper and Report next Monthly meeting.

A [illegible] carried away Prisoner: and [illegible] to this Meeting [illegible] to the Meeting of Sufferings: Informing them of his being a member of our Meeting and Clear in regard to Military matters.

This Meeting Collected in Silver mony £ 0. 7. 3 s d.
Collected in Paper mony 2.. 14. 7

10 mo 1778.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 10th month 1778 The Representatives are William Barker and John Williams - Present.

A new Choice of Overseers is Still referred to next monthly meeting and those that have been in that Service continued till a new choice.

The friends appointed to [illegible] with [illegible] Gifford on his request Report that for want of a convenient opportunity they have not fulfilled their appointment they are therefore continued in said Service and to make report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Labour with Samuel Mosher Report they have not fulfilled their appointment one of them being Sick, they are therefore continued in said Service and Joseph Gifford is added to them and they to make report next Monthly Meeting.

The time of the appointment of [illegible] of the poor being Expired they are now again continued in that Service untill a new Choice is made.

This meeting having concluded to make a new choice of Friends to have the care of our Registry Record those that are Married Persons that are not Members of the Society, and who not; Who are William Sanford William Barker and Joseph Tucker, and also [illegible] Benjamin Rider and John [illegible] for [illegible].

10 mo 1778 This meeting also appoint Nicholas How[illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] the care of said meetinghouse [illegible] to keep the same in [illegible].

This meeting appoint the following friends a Committee to take the care of this meeting's Land the ensuing year being some of them discharged viz William Barker Samuel Smith William Anthony jun and Joseph Tucker jun.

Charles Russell requests a Removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting at East Greenwich therefore Benjamin Smith 3rd and Samuel Smith are appointed to make due inquiry into his circumstances, and draw one for him if they find things clear and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Jon Smith [illegible] A Removal Certificate for John Smith son of [illegible] Smith was signed in this meeting directed to the Monthly meeting at East Hoosuck he having removed thither.

William Anthony jun hath given in an account to this meeting for keeping Alice Smith from the 26th of the [illegible] month last to the 26th Instant including 24 weeks at Twenty eight Shillings per week Old Tennor Silver Money and to be paid in Silver or its Equivalent in Paper money which this meeting orders paid accordingly: The amount thereof is £30..8 in Silver Old Tennor.

This Meeting Concludes that all our meetings begin at the Eleventh Hour for the year Ensuing except at [illegible]ford and that to begin as usually they have done.

Benj Taber appd Treasurer Benjamin Taber is appointed Treasurer in the room or place of our Well beloved friend Prince Allen deceased for the year Ensuing. And Samuel Smith and [illegible] Russell are appointed to settle accounts with the heirs of the former Treasurer deceased and make report to the Monthly Meeting.

This meeting Collected in Silver £0..5..0
Collected in Paper money 2..13..0

11 mo 1778 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of the 11th mon 1778 The Representatives are Caleb Russell and [illegible] Tucker, Present.

A [illegible] to [illegible] monthly meeting.

Elijah Gifford [illegible] The Committee appointed to confer with Elijah Gifford [illegible] report that [illegible] therefore this meeting accepts of said Elijah Gifford and Children to be under the care of this meeting.

[illegible] The Women friends also inform they have accepted [illegible] Gifford the wife of the said Elijah Gifford which this meeting concurs with.

[illegible] Overseers of the poor for the year Ensuing.

The friends appointed to Treat with [illegible]

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[illegible] which was in way of satisfaction and he hath given in a paper to this meeting condemning his misconduct, which this meeting accepts, provided he cause the same to be read publickly as usual and return said paper to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Settle accounts with the Heirs of the former Treasurer report that they have not fully accomplished the same they are therefore continued in said Service and to make report next monthly meeting.

Samuel Smith Thomas Hicks [illegible] Howland and William Anthony Jur are appointed to revise and correct this meetings minutes in order for them to go on record, and to make report next monthly meeting.

Sherman Cert [illegible]

[illegible] Sherman having removed within the compass of Accoakset meeting without taking a certificate from this meeting, we therefore signed and sent a few lines to Inform the Said meeting at Accoakset of his Removal.

This Meeting Signed a Certificate for Benjamin Ricketson Son of William Ricketson, to the Monthly meeting of East Hoosuck who is a going thither to Settle his outward affairs.

John Russell informs this meeting that he is about to Remove to East Hoosuck and desires a Certificate, therefore Benjamin Smith Jur and Caleb Russell are appointed to draw one for him if they think proper and bring it to next monthly meeting.

Removal certif
[illegible]
[illegible]

This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate, directed to the Monthly meeting at East Hoosuck in favour of [illegible] and his wife [illegible] and [illegible] daughter [illegible] they having removed thither to reside.

Abraham Howland Jur disowned

This meeting is informed that Abraham Howland Jur hath married out of the unity of friends after being precautioned to the contrary: therefore he is disowned from being a member of our Society and from under the care of this meeting and Benjamin Smith Jur is appointed to Inform him thereof.

The friends inform that [illegible] hath appeared [illegible] and hath [illegible] friends, but declines to Condemn the Same therefore John Williams and Joseph Tucker Jur to treat further with him on that account and also on account of his Neglecting to attend our meetings and to make report next monthly meeting.

This meeting Collected in Silver money £ 0. 9 - 10
Collected in paper money 4" 5. 0

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of the 12th month 1778 The Representatives are Caleb Russell and Seth Huddleston Present.

We appoint our friends Abiel Gifford Benjamin Tucker Benjamin Smith Jur Seth Huddleston Joseph Barker William Anthony Jur and William Barker Overseers for the year ensuing.

[illegible] Mosher's Paper having been Read agreeable to the direction of last monthly meeting and [illegible]

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the Same to this meeting, Which is accepted and is as followeth,

To the Monthly meeting of Friends [illegible]

16th of 11th month 1778.

Whereas some time past I did not use caution so far as I ought [illegible] Expression in the manner of [illegible]; for which I am heartily sorry and do Condemn, and desire Friends so far to pass it by as to [illegible]

[illegible]

The Friends appointed to settle accounts with the heirs of the former Treasurer report they have performed their appointment; [illegible]; and remains in the Stock £5..15..6 in paper money and 1..15..10 in Silver money.

The friends appointed to Revise and correct this meeting's minutes report they have fulfilled their appointment and left them with the clerk to be recorded.

The friends Chosen to draw a certificate [illegible] report they have not performed their appointment as yet. They are therefore continued in said service and Abraham Rowland is added to them, and they to make report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to labour with John [illegible] report they have not accomplished their appointment for want of an opportunity they are also continued in the Same Service and to make their report to next Monthly meeting.

Our Certificate in favour of Edward Thurston and his family directed to Swanzey monthly meeting being returned back to this meeting again. Therefore we appoint Thomas Hicks Samuel Smith and William [illegible] and they are to consider what is necessary for this meeting to do further in that matter and make report to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] This meeting order the clerk to send a certificate to the monthly meeting at [illegible] for Elkanah Thurber a young son of Joanna Thurber he being about to go as an apprentice there.

This meeting collected £6..3..7 in paper money
0..13..2½ in Silver money.

Received by the hand of the Treasurer the sum of £5..15..6 in paper money and 1..5..6 in Silver money by the Committee that Settled accounts with the heirs of the former Treasurer.

This meeting adjourns to the 30th of this Instant after the meeting of Worship which is to begin at the 11th hour.

Held by adjournment the 30th of the 11th month 1778 The Representatives being called Caleb Russell present [illegible] not present.

John Allen informs that he is about to remove with his family to live within the bounds of Saratoga or [illegible] Monthly meeting and requests a removal certificate for him and his children. Therefore [illegible] are appointed to make due inquiry into his circumstances and draw one for him and [illegible] next Monthly meeting if they find things clear.

12 mo 1778 James Johnson Request to come under the care of this meeting with his Son William: [illegible] William [illegible] Benjamin [illegible] are appointed to take an opportunity of Solid Conference with him in order to know the ground of his Request and make return to next Monthly meeting.

The Overseers inform that Stephen Wilcox Jr hath taken up Arms in or for War: and hath neglected the due attendance of our Meetings for which they have Treated with him but he hath not given them Satisfaction. Therefore this meeting appoint Caleb Russell and Benjamin [illegible] to Treat further with him and to make report to next Monthly meeting.

There was Signed in this meeting a Certificate for William [illegible] Certifying his being under the care of this meeting as he is about going a Voyage to Sea.

It hath been proposed in this meeting to Choose Friends to Join or assist the [illegible] in Visiting [illegible] families within the Compass of this meeting, Particularly those that neglect the due attendance of our Religious Meetings: but this meeting being Small by reason of the Severity of the Season the matter is referred to next Monthly meeting.

The Queries were Answered And an Epistle Signed in this meeting to the Quarterly meeting and ordered forward by our Representatives who are William [illegible] and [illegible] Samuel Smith and [illegible] Anthony Jr and they to report next monthly meeting.

1 mo 1779 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of 1st mo 1779 The Representatives are Benjamin [illegible] and Benjamin Taber Present

John Akin being gone to Sea the Committee appointed to Labour with him make report they have not fulfilled their appointment they are therefore continued in the Same Service and to make report when they shall have Opportunity to perform the Same.

The Committee appointed to draw a Certificate for John Russell not having fully accomplished the Same they are therefore Still continued in Said Service and make report next Monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to confer in matter in regard to Edward [illegible] and family not having fully accomplished the Same they are Still continued for the Same Service and report next Monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to draw a Certificate for John Allen report they have made Some progress in the Said matter but not having accomplish'd the Same they are also continued in Said Service and to make return next Monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to confer with James Jonson in regard to his request to Come under friends care: Report they have had an opportunity of conference with him: and that it gave them a degree of Satisfaction, yet that matter is also continued and to said friends in the Same Service until next Monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Labour with

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Stephen Wilcox in Report they have not effected the same. They are also continued for the same service and to make report next Monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended as desired except [illegible] and have produced an Epistle from the Yearly meeting with a number of London printed Epistles the reading of which being read with the Quarterly meeting Epistle to good satisfaction and the said London Epistles are to be distributed among friends and recommended to be read in their families.

It is Recommended by the Quarterly meeting and also by Advices from the meeting for Sufferings to send up as speedily as may be Collections to supply the Yearly meeting Stock: and this meeting concludes to raise the sum of Twenty Pounds for that use.

Job Sisson having Produced his Parents consent that he may proceed in marriage with Ruth Sheppard,

Job Sisson & Ruth Shepherd published — Job Sisson and Ruth Shepherd declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next Monthly meeting for answer.

This meeting collected in silver mony £ s d 0..15..9
in paper mony 12..1..4

This meeting orders the Treasurer to pay [illegible] [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] this meeting house [illegible] a year. Also to pay William [illegible] Bill [illegible] given in and accepted.

This meeting Adjourns to the 27th Instant after the meeting of Worship.

Met by adjournment the 27th day of the [illegible] month 1779 The Representatives are Benjamin Russel and Benjamin Taber Present.

Committee to visit & labour with disorderly members — Our friends Joseph Tucker Caleb Russell and Thomas Hicks are appointed to join and assist the Overseers in Visiting and Labouring with the disorderly members as mentioned Last Monthly meeting and they are desired to Visit and Labour with them in Love in order for their Restoration: and if after they have discharged themselves in that respect such of said members that continue disorderly: they to bring their Names and their Crimes to the meeting in order for them to be dealt further with as our discipline requires.

William Allen Son of [illegible] having about to remove within the compass of Saratoga Monthly meeting and desiring a Certificate: therefore [illegible] and John [illegible] are appointed to take the needful care in that case and make Return to next monthly meeting.

William Heart hath given in a paper Signifying his Sorrow for being concerned in a Lottery [illegible] of Discipline.

[illegible] Heart [illegible] — The meeting [illegible] [illegible] hath married out of the Unity of friends after being precautioned: he is denied and disowned from being a member of our Society, and Seth Russell is appointed to inform him hereof and make report to next monthly meeting.

We appoint our friends Nathan [illegible] John Williams William Heart Joseph Tucker Jun and Gideon Howland

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1779 is complied with Subscriptions that may [illegible] meeting to raise money: is concluded in said Subscriptions and they are to pay [illegible] the Treasurer of this meeting and make return to next Monthly meeting of the Sum so raised.

[illegible] exhibited an account to this meeting, for keeping Some Travelling friends horses and Shoeing them to the amount of £ s d 8.2.0 which is allowed: and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the Same: [illegible] our [illegible] for keeping the meeting house [illegible] Some time past: and also 18 Shillings [illegible] for the use of friends and make return next monthly meeting.

2 mo
1779 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 2nd month 1779. The Representatives Peleg Gifford and Samuel Smith Present.

John Russell
removed A Certificate for John Russell directed to Monthly meeting at East Greenwich [illegible] signed in this meeting [illegible].

The friends appointed in the Case of Edward Thurston Jun have brought a few Lines being an Endorsement on the former Certificate directed to the Monthly meeting of Greenwich: Setting forth of their being members and Recommending them to their meeting.

The friends appointed to draw a Certificate for John Allen report that things not being settled by reason of Sickness they are therefore continued in said Service and to report next monthly meeting.

Jas Johnson
[illegible] The friends appointed to Confer with James Johnson on his request to come under friends care [illegible] a Satisfactory report; therefore he the said James Johnson and his Son William are received into Membership.

[illegible] The friends appointed to treat with Stephen Wilcox Junr. report they have fulfilled their appointment, but he gave them no Satisfaction Therefore he is disowned from being a member of our Society, and the same friends are appointed to draw a Public Testimony against him, and bring it to next Monthly meeting and William Ricketson is ordered to inform him of his Denial.

This meeting is Informed that Michael [illegible] Russell hath married out of the Unity of Friends and hath been treated with on that account by friends both before and after said marriage and he gave them no Satisfaction, Therefore he is disowned from being in Membership with us: And William Ricketson is ordered to inform him of his Denial and make report next monthly meeting.

The Overseers inform that Shearman [illegible] Craw hath removed away in a disorderly manner, without the knowledge or concurrance of this meeting into the Compass of another and neglects to attend meetings, and they having treated with him on these accounts but he gave them no Satisfaction therefore he is denyed from being a Member of our Society and Seth Huddleston is ordered to inform him of his denial and report next Monthly Meeting.

The Treasurer reports he has paid all the money as ordered last monthly meeting Except that to Peleg Gifford

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and that he designed to pay and report next Monthly meeting.

Wm Allen

A removal Certificate was Signed in this meeting for William Allen son of [illegible] directed to the monthly meeting of East Hoosuck.

[illegible] informed this meeting [illegible] according to [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] marriage [illegible].

The Friends appointed to collect the money by subscription not having fully accomplished the same they are still continued in that service and to make report to the adjournment of this meeting.

Benjamin Sawdy James Cornwell and [illegible] Allen having informed this meeting that they purpose to take a Journey into the Country and desire Each of them a Certificate: Therefore Thomas [illegible] William [illegible] and Thomas Smith are appointed to make inquiry into their conducting, and draw certificates for them if they find them Clear and bring them to the adjournment of this meeting.

[illegible] and [illegible] appeared for their answer Which was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some convenient time before next Monthly meeting: Complying with the Discipline and this meeting have appointed to see the said marriage accomplished who are William Sanford and William Barker and they to make report next Monthly meeting.

William [illegible] Junior being about to go as apprentice with his brother within the Compass of East Hoosuck or Saratoga monthly meeting and desiring a Certificate: Therefore [illegible] and William Sanford are appointed to take the necessary care in that respect and draw one for him if they think proper and bring it to the adjournment of this meeting.

William Russell having informed that he hath concluded to remove within the Compass of East Hoosuck or Saratoga Monthly meeting and desiring a removal Certificate, Therefore Benjamin [illegible] and [illegible] are appointed to make inquiry on that account: and if they find things clear then to draw one for him and bring it to next monthly meeting.

Ann Smith
family

A removal Certificate for Anne Smith wife of Thomas Smith and their children [illegible] was Signed directed to the Monthly meeting at East Hoosuck and Saratoga.

Collection In paper money 7"10"3
In Silver money 0"7"6

This meeting adjourns to the 24th of this Instant after the meeting of Worship.

Met by adjournment this 24th of the 2nd month 1779. The Representatives being called both Present.

A Certificate for Benjamin Sawdy was Signed in this meeting directed to the Monthly meeting at Saratoga he being about to travel there.

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Certificates for [illegible] were Signed in this meeting directed to the Monthly meeting at East Hoosack and Saratoga they being removed [illegible].

[illegible] Also a Removal certificate for William [illegible] was Signed in this meeting directed to the Same meeting as above he being a young [illegible].

Abraham Allen hath given in a line [illegible] concerning his being concerned in a Lottery and the meeting not being fully clear to accept the same, Therefore Elijah Gifford, Thomas Hicks and [illegible] are appointed to examine into the circumstances of the matter and make report next Monthly meeting.

The Overseers Inform that [illegible] Gifford hath appeared in a Warlike manner with his Gun in order to Train with others of the Militia and also been found with them [illegible] for that purpose for which conduct this meeting [illegible] William [illegible] and Gideon Howland to labour with him in order to show him his error and make report next Monthly meeting.

We appoint William Mosher to draw the [illegible] of this meeting [illegible] to the [illegible] meeting [illegible] Clerk: [illegible] money [illegible] by the meeting [illegible] for the meeting of Sufferings: and pay the Same there, and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The Overseers inform that Cob Gifford hath Neglected to attend our Religious Meetings [illegible] Therefore this meeting [illegible] Gideon Howland [illegible] William [illegible] and [illegible] to labour further with him on those accounts and to make report next monthly meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 3rd month 1779 The Representatives are Elijah Gifford and [illegible] Gifford present.

Received a Coppy of a minute from our meeting of Sufferings held the 8th Instant, directing that the Same, with a Testimony from the Yearly meeting of Philadelphia by adjournment from the 29th of the month to the 4th of the 10th month 1777, which was Read in this meeting be both Publickly Read in all our meetings, which this meeting concurs with and the Clerk is ordered to Read them accordingly.

A Removal Certificate for our friend John Allen his Wife and Children directed to the monthly meeting of East Hoosack or Saratoga was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk.

A Testimony of Denial against Stephen Wilcox Junior was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is ordered to Read it Publickly in the Usual manner and make report next monthly meeting

And William Rickitson reports he hath informed Said Wilcox of his denial and also Michel Russell of his Denial according to appointment.

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[illegible] appointed that he hath [illegible] as directed at last monthly meeting.

[illegible] having given Peleg Gifford [illegible] next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Job Sisson and Ruth Shepard report that they attended said marriage and saw nothing but that it was orderly accomplished.

[illegible]

A removal Certificate for William Russell directed to [illegible] monthly meeting was signed in this meeting he having gone there to dwell.

The friends appointed to treat with Peleg Gifford Jun Report that they have had conference with him but did not give them full satisfaction but request the matter may be continued longer: therefore they are continued to next monthly meeting in the same service and then to make report.

William [illegible] reports he hath fulfilled his appointment in regard to carrying the money to the yearly meetings treasurer and also to the meeting of Sufferings and hath produced a coppy of the minute from the Clerk of the meeting of Sufferings that they had received the Sum of 17£ 7s 4d in paper and 12 shillings in hard money for the use of the poor [illegible] from Rhode Island that are not of our Society.

The Comittee appointed to treat with [illegible] Gifford report they have had a conference with him and he gave them little or no Satisfaction, Nevertheless the matter being Weightily considered it is referred to next monthly meeting and the Same Committee still continued, and if he does not give them Some Satisfaction they are to draw a paper of denial against him and bring it to next monthly meeting.

The few lines of Advisement directed to Swanzey monthly meeting and signed by the Clerk at our monthly meeting in the first month last was now read, and do appoint our friends Thomas Hicks William Anthony Jun and Samuel Smith to attend Said meeting at Swanzey with said Advisement in order to treat with them on that account in behalf of this meeting, and endeavor to show them the State of the case; and make return to this meeting when they have accomplished the Same

Abraham Rowland son of [illegible] Rowland desires a removable Certificate to the monthly meeting of East Hoosuck and Saratoga. And also Asa Barker a young son of David Barker being about to go an Apprentice to live within the Compass of Smithfield monthly meeting - also John [illegible] informs he is about to go to the Oblong or thereabout in order to purchase a place to live on, [illegible] desiring [illegible] and likewise [illegible] Rowland son of Benjamin Rowland being about to go to East Hoosuck or thereabout to make some stay and also desires a certificate - Therefor this meeting appoints Samuel Smith Elijah Gifford and Thomas Hicks to draw Certificates for them and Sign them in behalf of this meeting if they Shall think proper When they have duly Enquired into their Circumstances and make

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Collected in paper Currency	6..16..3
In Silver Currency	0..13..0

This meeting adjourns to the 24th instant after the meeting for worship.

Met by adjournment the 24th day of the 3rd month 1779.

Abner Devol and Benjamin Gifford Jun Sent in a paper to the Preparative meeting requesting to come under Friends care therefore we appoint William Tucker Elihu Gifford and Samuel Smith to take an opportunity of solid conference with them in order to discover their motives and make return next monthly meeting.

William [illegible] gave in an account to this meeting for [illegible] which is allowed [illegible] 18 Shillings in [illegible] money to the [illegible] in paper money Treasurer is ordered to pay the Same.

The Overseers Inform that John Shepherd John Russell, Henry Smith Elijah Russell, Timothy Howland and Isaac Howland Son of Benjamin have joined with others in purchasing and owning a Vessel that was taken in the War or by way of Violence: yet as to both [illegible] that they were Ignorant that she was taken [illegible] this meeting therefore doth appoint [illegible] William Tucker Elijah Gifford Samuel Smith and John Devol, to inquire into the true State of the Case, and Circumstances attending the Same and bring in their Judgment thereupon to our next monthly meeting.

The Overseers also Inform that Isaac Howland (Son of Benjamin) is found Guilty of the Sin of fornication as appears by the accusation of Hannah Smith and hath also been married by a Hireling minister and the above said Committee are appointed to Labour with him on that account and draw a Testimony of denial against him if he do not give them Satisfaction and bring it to next monthly meeting.

We appoint our friends William Tucker Thomas Hicks Joseph Tucker Jun William Barker and Adam Howland to attend the Quarterly meeting and present the Epistle which was approved and Signed in this meeting by the Clerk also the answers to the Queries which was read and approved in this meeting and they to make Report next monthly meeting.

4 mo 1779 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 4th month 1779 The Representatives are Elihu Gifford Present.

The Clerk Informs he hath not read the Testimony against Stephen Wilcox as ordered he is therefore desired to perform the same and make return next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer reports he hath not paid Peleg Gifford he is therefore ordered to pay and make report when it is paid.

The friends appointed in the case of Abraham Allen report they have been engaged in the matter but it not being fully settled to Satisfaction they are continued in the Same Service

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Peleg Gifford Jr denied

and to make report next monthly meeting. –

The friends continued last monthly meeting to treat with Peleg Gifford Jun report they have performed their appointment and he declining to make satisfaction and that they think they are clear from any further labour with him. they are therefore appointed to draw a paper of denial against him the said Peleg Gifford Jur and they with Joseph Gifford and Benjamin Gifford to inform him thereof and make report next monthly meeting.

The Committee continued to treat with [illegible] Gifford report they have had some further conference with him wherein they saw some signs of satisfaction they are therefore still continued in the said service and make report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to prepare and sign certificates in the behalf of this meeting report they have performed the same: except that for [illegible] and they are still continued to draw one for him if they think proper and bring it to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to treat with [illegible] Devol and Benjamin Gifford Jun report they have had some conference with them and that they saw them some signs of satisfaction the matter is therefore refered to next monthly meeting and they continued in said service and then to make report.

The Committee report [illegible] William [illegible] and he is therefore continued to pay the same and make report when he hath paid.

The friends appointed to Enquire into [illegible] and have given in the following report which the being read and considered is accepted, and is as followeth;

omitted to be recorded

The friend appointed to treat with Isaac Howland son of Benjamin Report they have had conference with him [illegible] satisfaction [illegible] continued in the same service and make report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report [illegible] were accepted.

[illegible] Barker desires a Certificate [illegible] to the monthly meeting at Swanzey [illegible]

[illegible] being about to remove within the compass of [illegible] monthly meeting; and request a removal certificate to said meeting: therefore [illegible] Joseph Tucker Jur and Elijah Gifford [illegible]

4 mo 1779 [illegible] Certificate [illegible] monthly meeting

The Friends [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] for one month only and Benjamin Russell and Seth Russell are appointed to take the oversight [illegible] and to make report next monthly meeting.

Collection in paper Currency £5..4..9½
Collection in Silver currency 0..9..8.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of 5th month 1779 The Representatives are [illegible] and Benjn Rider — Present.

The Clerk hath made [illegible] Testimony against Stephen Wilcox Junr [illegible] according to appointment which is as followeth.

Whereas Stephen Wilcox Junr [illegible] under the care of this meeting, yet through unwatchfulness and not regarding the principle of Truth [illegible] mind so as to neglect attending our religious meetings: [illegible] in a Marriage [illegible]: which [illegible] being inconsistent with our Principles [illegible] and friends having laboured with him in love [illegible] but he not adhearing to the advice of friends therein, We do therefore give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said Stephen Wilcox Junr disowning him from being a member of our Society, untill he by unfeigned [illegible] of the Error of his ways [illegible] to the way of Truth.

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 17th of 5th month 1779

by William Anthony Junr Clerk.

The Committee appointed in the Case of [illegible] make report that they have [illegible] been in the progress of that Service, but it being not yet fully Settled to Satisfaction: It is therefore referred to next monthly meeting and the Same friends continued and then they to make report.

This meeting is Informed that [illegible] hath fallen into the sin of fornication; therefore [illegible] and Joseph Tucker Jun are appointed to treat with him on that account, and to draw a paper of denial against him if he do not give them Satisfaction and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Elisabeth Allen and Miriam Hoxie rec'd by Certificate — The Women Friends Inform that they have received Removal Certificates for Elisabeth Allen Widow and Miriam Hoxie both from Sandwich Monthly meeting, which this meeting concurs with.

The Removal Certificates that were signed in this meeting some months past for John Allen and his wife and children and brother William Allen were now altered and signed being now directed to the Nine partners Monthly Meeting they being about

[illegible] 1779 [illegible]

Job Jeffrey [illegible] given in a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for his offences taken notice of by the meeting which being considered [illegible] referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the same Committee as before [illegible] with him again and make report next monthly meeting.

The Committee continued in the case of Job Jeffrey report that he hath desisted from selling spirituous liquors [illegible] referred to next monthly meeting for a further proof [illegible] under the care of same Committee, they to make report.

Abraham Howland Removed — A Removal Certificate was signed in this meeting for Abraham Howland [illegible] directed to the monthly meeting of [illegible].

The Friends appointed to inquire [illegible] and Benjamin Gifford Jun on their request to come under Friends care report that they desire it continued which is accordingly under the care of said Committee and they to make report next monthly meeting.

[illegible] Howland disowned — A Testimony of denial was signed in this meeting against [illegible] Howland [illegible] and the Clerk is ordered [illegible] make return next monthly meeting.

The Committee of the meeting at [illegible] request [illegible] next monthly meeting in the 10th month [illegible] to have the oversight thereof as had last before and then they to make report.

[illegible] Removed — There was a Certificate signed in this meeting for Shove Barker (a young Son of David Barker) to the monthly meeting at Swanzey [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Abraham Howland and William Anthony Jr have given in their account of keeping Alice Smith to the amount of £1:16:0 in silver money or [illegible] which is for keeping said Alice [illegible] preceding the 28th of the 4th month last which said accounts are allowed and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same [illegible].

This meeting adjourned to the [illegible] after the meeting of Worship.

[illegible] 5th month 1779 The Representatives being called [illegible] present.

[illegible] the company of [illegible] a Removal Certificate [illegible] and the monthly meeting [illegible] request Certificates; Therefore this meeting appoints Benjamin [illegible] William Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith to make due inquiry into their circumstances

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The matter for Solomon [illegible] and [illegible] is referred to the next monthly meeting for further Consideration.

Received a Receipt signed by the yearly meetings Treasurer that he hath Received the sum of 19"10 in paper money and 10 Shilling in hard money of this meeting for the yearly Meeting Stock.

This meeting is informed that [illegible] Smith son of [illegible] Smith deceased hath taken up [illegible] and rather justify the Same when they Treated with him on that account: Therefore Joseph Tucker Jun and Benjamin Tucker are appointed to Treat further with him on that account and if he decline to condemn the same then they to draw a Testimony against him and bring it to next monthly meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the [illegible] of 6th month 1779 The Representatives are Caleb Russell and Joseph [illegible] Junior.

Visit of Solomon Underhill & [illegible] — Our Beloved Friend Solomon Underhill hath attended this meeting in Company with our beloved friend Joseph Walters both of whom hath been Recommended to our Satisfaction from their respective Places of abode whose Visit and Service among us have been well accepted.

The Committee continued in the case of Abraham Allen report that he hath given them Satisfaction in a good degree: Therefore the paper he gave in to this meeting some months past condemning the same is now accepted for Satisfaction.

which is as followeth

Whereas Some time past I was so unwise as to be concerned in a Lottery which I since in my Self was wrong, which I do condemn, and desire that Friends will pass by it [illegible] under [illegible]

Abraham Allen.

The friends appointed to Treat with William Gowdaly Jun not having fulfilled their appointment they are therefore Continued in said Service and to make report next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed in the case of Job Gifford report that he yet continues to absent from [illegible] religious meetings; yet they request it still continued, it is therefore accordingly continued their care and to report to the meeting when they shall be Satisfied therein.

[illegible] — The Committee appointed in the case of Benjamin Gifford Jr and Abner Devol report that he the sd Abner Devol hath given them Satisfaction, he is therefore received into membership with us. But the receiving of Benjamin Gifford is referred under the care of the Same Friends for a further proof of his Sincerity and they to report to this meeting when they shall see fit.

The Clerk reports that he hath read the Denial of Isaac Howland agreeable to the appointment of last

6 mo 1779 Monthly meeting and that also informs him of such denial. Which is as followeth.

Whereas Isaac [illegible] son of Benjamin Rowland and Elizabeth his wife having his Education among friends and under the care of this meeting but by disregarding the Testimony of Truth in himself hath fallen into the sin of fornication as appears by the accusation of Meribah Smith and he not clearing himself thereof to friends Satisfaction, but upon Inquiry we have reason to believe the accusation to be justly grounded, and friends having tenderly extended their labour of Love with him in order for his Recovery, but our Labour of love not being Effectual. this meeting being Concerned for the clearing of Truth and friends from the reproach of such Evil Conduct do therefore give this forth as a public Testimony against him the said [illegible] and disowning him from being a member of our Society until by unfeigned repentance and return from the Error of his ways he shall be restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and behalf of our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 6th month A.D. 1779
by William Anthony Jun.r Clerk.

Jas Cornell and family A Removal Certificate for James Cornell his Wife and Children directed to the Monthly meeting at East Hoosack and Saratoga was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk.

Tho Smith Denied A Testimony of denial against Thomas Smith (son of Levi) was Signed in this meeting and the Clerk is ordered to read the Same Publickly as usual and make report thereof to our next Monthly meeting and Caleb Russell is appointed to Inform said Thomas of his denial and report next Monthly meeting.

Collected in Paper Currency £10..9..10
In Silver Currency 1..1..8½

This meeting Adjourns to the 24th Instant after the meeting of Worship which is to begin at the 11th hour.

Met by Adjournment the 24th of the 6th month 1779 the Representatives being called both present.

The Committee appointed to confer with Elisha Gifford Jun.r make report that they have met and treated with him on the account of his outgoings but he not giving them full Satisfaction the matter is referred under the care of said Committee to next Monthly meeting who are then to make report.

Hezekiah Smith and Paul Cornell Certificates were Signed in this meeting for Hezekiah Smith and Paul Cornell, the first directed to the Monthly meeting of Albany or Nine Partners, the Latter to the Monthly meeting of East Hoosack or Saratoga.

The matter concerning John Potter is referred by reason things are not ready Clear therefore William Anthony Jun.r and Samuel Smith are desired to inform him of his neglect as soon as opportunity will allow and they also are to proceed in such manner relative to said matter as they may think best and make return to the meeting when they have accomplished the Same.

Daniel Shepard desiring a Certificate

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[illegible] monthly meeting [illegible] from his request of membership and Clearness of Marriage Entanglements therefore, William Barker and William [illegible] are appointed to take the necessary care therein and report next monthly meeting.

Benjamin [illegible] desires a removal certificate to East Hoosuck or Saratoga Monthly meeting; therefore William Tucker and Abra. Stafford are appointed to take the necessary care in that affair and make report next monthly meeting.

The Overseers inform that Paul Slocum is accused of the Sin of Fornication with [illegible] Reed who accuses him of being the Father of her bastard child and that Overseers having laboured with him on that account, he [illegible] clearing himself from that accusation. Therefore this meeting [illegible] appoint [illegible] and [illegible] Hicks to treat further with him on that account and if [illegible] not give them Satisfaction to draw a paper of denial against him and bring it to next monthly meeting.

Anna Butts rec'd Mary Wood & Abigail [illegible] [illegible]

The Women Friends inform that they have received Anna Butts under their care: also they have disowned Mary Wood wife of [illegible] Wood and Abigail [illegible] Wife of [illegible] [illegible] in which this meeting concurs with.

Certificates for [illegible] Solomon Underhill and [illegible] Walton

This Meeting Signed Certificates for our Friends [illegible] Solomon Underhill and Joseph Walton directed to the monthly meeting they belong to acknowledging our Unity with their Publick Testimony and Labour which amongst us.

The [illegible] [illegible] an Epistle Signed in this meeting and [illegible] forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Thomas Smith [illegible] Stafford Joseph [illegible] and William Anthony [illegible] and they to report next monthly meeting

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 7th month 1779 the Representatives are William Barker and Abra. Stafford present

The friends appointed to treat with William [illegible] in report that they have had Conference with him and that he hath given them a good degree of Satisfaction and that he hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his outgoing; yet the matter is refered to next monthly meeting for further proof of his Sincerity and the Said friends to have the oversight of his conduct and to report next Monthly meeting

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial against Thomas Smith as directed last monthly meeting, and Caleb Russell reports he hath informed him thereof according to appointment, which is followeth,

Whereas Thomas Smith son of Levi Smith deceased) of in the Town of Dartmouth and Province of the Massachusetts Bay, Having had his Education among friends, but through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Testimony of Truth in his own heart; hath so far deviated from the peaceable Principle we make profession of, as to take up Arms in order for War and friends having Laboured with him in Love to shew him the Error of his way but their Labour [illegible] 1779 — of [illegible] not having the desired effect: Therefore this meeting is concerned to give this [illegible] as a Testimony denying him the said [illegible] from being a member of our Society and from under the care of this meeting. Nevertheless desiring if it be consistent with Divine Wisdom that he might yet come to a Sight and Sence of the Error of his way and return to the way of Truth.

Given forth by friends at their Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of the 6th month 1779

Signed in and by order of said meeting
by William Anthony Jur Clerk.

B Sawdy and family remove — A Removal Certificate for Benjamin Sawdy his Wife and their Children directed to the Monthly meeting at East Hoosuck or Saratoga was Signed in this meeting they having gone there to dwell

A Certificate for Daniel Shepard directed to the Monthly meeting of Sandwich, Setting forth his Clearness in regard to marriage and Conversation was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk.

The [illegible] Committee on the case of [illegible] report that they not being fully Satisfied desire the request to still continued which is accordingly continued to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as [illegible] and they to make report.

[illegible] — The friends appointed to [illegible] report that they [illegible] the same and that he [illegible] Therefore they have produced a Testimony of denial which being signed by the Clerk [illegible] the said [illegible] Slocum [illegible] is appointed to read the same publickly [illegible] and make report to our next monthly meeting; said [illegible] is appointed to [illegible] next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended according to appointment and [illegible] the Epistle from the same which hath been read and [illegible] together with [illegible] Epistles from London and Philadelphia which were read [illegible] their Communication [illegible]

[illegible] — The [illegible] appointed [illegible] monthly [illegible] a [illegible] they have fulfilled their appointment, and [illegible], Therefore [illegible] is appointed [illegible] next monthly meeting.

[illegible] — The Women Friends Inform that they have [illegible] which this meeting concurs with.

This meeting hath Signed and Sent a Certificate or Information to the Committee appointed by the meeting for [illegible] Samuel [illegible] a member of this meeting who is Taken and carried into NewYork and remained a Prisoner under distressed Circumstances by the last account we had from him the said Samuel.

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This meeting being Informed that our Friend Seth Huddleston is Draughted as a Soldier and is required to appear at Boston within a few days for that purpose, Therefore this meeting thinks proper and doth grant him a Certificate, setting forth his being a member among us. Also do appoint our friends Abiel Gifford John Williams and William Anthony Jun to assist him in anything relative thereto in procuring his release and other things as they in the Wisdom of Truth Shall think best.

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This meeting Collected in paper	7	7	0
Collected in Silver	0	12	3.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of 8th month 1779 The Representatives are Abiel Gifford and John Devol present.

The Committee who have the oversight the conduct of William Bowdish Jun report they have seen nothing amiss in him Since last Monthly meeting but the matter is referred to next monthly meeting and the Same friends to have the oversight of him and report next monthly meeting.

The Clerk reports that the Testimony against Paul Slocum hath been read as ordered and William Barker reports he is informed as ordered, which Testimony is as followeth

Whereas Paul Slocum son of Benjamin Slocum and Eliza his wife having had his Education among friends under the care of this meeting but by departing from the Testimony of truth in his own heart hath so far gone astray as to fall into the reproachful sin of Fornication as appears by the Accusation of [illegible]: and friends having laboured with him in Love in order to discover to him the Evil thereof and to restore him to the way of Truth, but our labour of love not being effectual to the satisfaction of this meeting: Therefore for the clearing of Truth and friends from the reproach of Such Enormity this meeting is concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him hereby disowning him the said Paul Slocum from being one of our Society and from under the care of friends: Desiring notwithstanding if it be agreeable to divine pleasure he may yet find a place of Repentance and by an unfeigned acknowledgment of the Evil of his ways return to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 7th month 1779.

by William Anthony Jun Clerk

The Friends appointed to Inform John Akin of his Denial and draw a Testimony against him report that it is not accomplished by reason said Akin being gone from home: Therefore the said friends are continued to accomplish the Same as soon as may be and make report to this meeting.

Jonathan Slack Informs he is about to remove with his wife and Children within the compass of Nine Partners Monthly meeting, and desires a Certificate therefore Benjamin Chase and Abiel Gifford are appointed to Joyne the Women and take the necessary care therein and draw a Certificate if they think proper an-

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bring to next monthly meeting.

The Committee in regard to Peleg Gifford Report that they have fulfilled their appointment and things not appearing fully clear to accept him, and said Committee being released by their request. [illegible] Tucker Joseph Barker and Benjamin Tucker are now appointed to visit with him the said Gifford and make report next monthly meeting.

Sarah Howland denied — Hannah Wilbore Received

The Women Friends Inform they have Denied Sarah Howland now wife of Warren Howland; and that they have Received into membership Hannah Wilbore which this meeting concurs with.

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid William Dickerson Three dollars hard mony as ordered and also paid Peleg Gifford, four dollars as ordered Likewise in hard mony.

Cornelius Howland having returned to this meeting a Certificate that he formerly had to goe to Sea: and now again request a Certificate also to goe to Sea; Therefore Benjamin Smith jur Samuel Smith and William Anthony jur are appointed to inspect into the Circumstances Voiage that he intends and draw and Sign such a Certificate for him in behalf of this meeting as they may think proper and make report thereof to next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Howland five dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year: or the value thereof in paper.

	£	s.	d.
Collected in paper Currency	4	4	0
Collected in Silver Currency	0	14	1.

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1779

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of 9th month 1779. The Representatives are Joseph Barker and John Williams Present.

The Friends appointed to have the oversight of William Bowdish Jur make report to satisfaction and his paper being Read, this meeting doth conclude to accept of the same provided he cause the same to be Read publickly at the Close of a first day meeting for Worship he being present and return the same to next monthly meeting. Said paper is as followeth,

To a Monthly meeting of Friends held at Dartmouth 19th of 7th month 1779.

[illegible] ed by being Seduced by the Enimy to Fornication and have Contracted Marriage Contrary to the proper order of Friends, and must Confess I have not been attendant to the [illegible] meetings of Friends [illegible] a member of the Society: which exorbetant behaviour I acknowleg as a dishonour to the worthy profession of Friends [illegible] Friends to pass by my [illegible]

[illegible] your friend

William Bowdish Jur

Benj. Gifford rec'd

The Friends appointed to [illegible] with Benjamin Gifford Jur make a Satisfactory report in regard [illegible]

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request: Therefore he is now Received under the care of this meeting as a member of our Society.

The friends appointed on account of Jonathan Hicks's certificate report they have been in a progress in said matter but some of his affairs not being fully settled, the matter is referred to next monthly meeting and the friends continued in said service and then to make report.

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of denial against John Akin have accomplished the same which hath been read and signed in this meeting and the clerk is to read it publickly as usual and make report thereof to our next monthly meeting; they also report they have informed him of his denial agreeable to appointment: which is as followeth.

Whereas John Akin having had a Right of membership with us the people called Quakers, yet contrary to our Christian Testimony hath so far deviated as to appear with a Military company under arms in order for defence, for which he hath been labored with in love in order to reclaim him, but it not having the desired effect and he continuing to justify the practice or rather not to condemn it, we think it necessary for the clearing of truth and friends to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him.

Nevertheless it is our desire that he may yet be convinced of the Impropriety of bearing arms [illegible] [illegible] and salvation.

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 20th of 9th mo 1779. Signed in and on behalf of said meeting by William Anthony Jnr Clerk.

The friends appointed to draw and sign a certificate for Cornelius Howland report they have fulfilled the same.

The Treasurer not having paid Timothy Howland as ordered for want of money as we understand, he is ordered to pay the same when furnished with money and make report to next monthly meeting.

Two of the friends appointed to treat with Roger Gifford Jnr report they have treated with him but that he did not fully comply to condemn his conduct to friends satisfaction; but inasmuch as one of said friends was not there with the other two when they treated with him by reason of disappointment therefore they are still continued to treat with him and if he do not give them satisfaction they are ordered to draw a paper of denial against him and bring to next monthly meeting.

It being recommended to this meeting by a Committee of the Quarterly meeting to appoint a Committee to confer with them on the weighty subject of Erecting Schools for the better Education of our youths. This meeting doth appoint Thomas Hicks Elijah Gifford Caleb Russell Caleb Green Joseph Tucker William Anthony Jnr John Devol and John Williams for that service.

John Russell
[illegible]

Certificates that this meeting some time agoe granted to John Russell and Benjamin Rickitson directed to East Hoosuck Monthly meeting are now returned with Endorsemen

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1779. to Each Sitting with the yearly [illegible]; said [illegible] were they being now returned home.

Collected in paper $\overset{£}{14}$ „ $\overset{s}{0}$ „ $\overset{d}{0}$
Collected in Silver 00 „ 15 „ 2.

This meeting adjourns to the 27th Instant at the Eleventh Hour

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Meet by Adjournment the 27th of 9th month 1779

The Representatives being Called both Present.

Stephen Russell [illegible] This meeting being Informed by the Preparative meeting and Overseers that Stephen Russell hath Married out of the Society of Friends after being previously Cautioned to which by the Overseers: Therefore we [illegible] Stephen Russell is [illegible] from Membership in the Society and Joseph Tucker is appointed to Inform him thereof, and make report to next Monthly meeting.

George Smith having Requested at the Preparative meeting that his Children might be received into Membership with us: but as the said George not appearing at this meeting to continue his request it is therefore referred to next Monthly meeting for further Consideration.

This meeting Informed by way of Preparative meeting that Humphry Borden [illegible] hath been in the practice of going to horse racing and suffering his own beast to run: and he likewise hath very much departed from that plainness of apparel, and otherwise, that Truth requires: after being frequently spoken to on that account by friends: Therefore this meeting doth appoint Caleb Russell Elijah Gifford and John Cook to labour further with him on those accounts and make report to next monthly meeting also to draw up a paper of denial against him if he do not make them Satisfaction.

This meeting doth hereby discontinue all our week day meetings within the compass of this meeting for next week only they being so near the time of the Quarterly meeting.

Received a Transcript of the Epistle of the last Yearly meeting of Friends on Long Island, together with one from ~~one~~ from our last Yearly meeting which were both read and the seasonable advices therein given well accepted.

The Queries were answered and an Epistle signed in this meeting and ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives Who are Caleb Russell Joseph Tucker William Mosher Samuel Smith Abiel Gifford and John Williams and they to report next monthly meeting.

Rep't of Committee to inspect matter of Birthright [illegible] A Report of the Committee formerly appointed by this meeting to inspect into the Birthright of Children hath been now read and Considered and being approved, is as followeth,

According to appointment We have Considered the matter respecting our members, Who have a proper Birthright: and we find that in or about the year 1763 our monthly meeting came into the Same measure (or nearly so) in said matter as the yearly meeting did afterwards in the year 1774 which was then established as a

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Rule in the Society: Wherefore we think the Same Rule with us ought to begin in the first month 1763 unto which Rule we refer as our Rule to be governed by: and we further think that the former Rules and usages of our meeting ought to remain and stand good before said date of the first month 1763 which was, as near as we can collect, as followeth (viz) that all Such Children whose Parents or even a father only were members, Such Children were deemed members, whether such Parent or Parents requested for their Children or not, or whether such parents were members by birthright or otherwise.

Given forth this 12th day of the 3rd month 1777.

Prince Allen
Thomas Hicks
Benjamin Smith Jun
Humphrey Smith
William Anthony Jun

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the [illegible] of 10th mo 1777 the Representatives are William Mosher and William Gifford present;

William [illegible] produced the Paper having been read as directed last monthly meeting is now returned accordingly.

Jon Clark and family remove.

A Removal Certificate for Jonathan Clark and his wife Susanna and their Children was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk directed to the monthly meeting at the Nine Partners, they being about to remove there: the names of their Children being entered in said Certificate are as followeth (viz) Philip Elizabeth Jonathan and Ruth.

Treasurer Reports he hath paid Timothy Howland as ordered.

The Clerk reports he hath Read the paper of denial against John Akin according to appointment of last monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed at our last monthly meeting to confer with the Quarterly meetings Committee in the case of Erecting Schools make Report that they have had a Conference accordingly and that they have fallen in with the measures Recommended by our last Yearly meeting: And said Quarterly meetings Committee have advised that Each monthly meeting Chuse a Solid judicious Committee to have the Standing oversight of such Schools and to See that they be Erected accordingly: Therefore this meeting doth appoint Abiel Gifford Caleb Russell William Anthony Jun John Williams Elijah Gifford Jonathan Willbour Caleb Green John Devol and Samuel Smith for that Purpose.

Joseph Barker reports that he hath informed Stephen Russell of his denial agreeable to appointment.

[illegible] The Committee Continued to Treat with Peleg Gifford Jun Reports that he did not give them full Satisfaction: therefore they have produced a paper of denial against him which was Signed; and Joseph Tucker Jun is appointed to inform him thereof, and that he hath a Right of an appeal, and said paper to Lay on file untill the time of appeal is Expired and then the Clerk to read the

10 mo 1779 same Publickly in the usual manner and make report to [illegible] meeting of their having performed the same.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting being called upon made report that they all attended agreeable to appointment and have produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read and well accepted: and as there is money requested to supply the yearly meeting Stock the matter for raising the money is referred to the adjournment of this meeting.

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Collected in Silver money	0..10..7
Collected in paper Currency	11..7..0

This meeting adjourns to the 27th instant after the meeting of Worship.

Met by Adjournment the 27th of the 10th month 1779
The representatives being called both Present.

The matter in regard to George Smith's Request concerning his children is referred to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to labour with [illegible] having [illegible] not being fully clear in the case request the matter referred which is referred to next monthly meeting and the committee [illegible] make report.

Stephen Gifford and Stephen Russell Each gave in a paper to to this meeting Condemning their misconduct, and they being absent from this meeting are referred to next monthly meeting.

The friends [illegible] for holding meetings at [illegible] being now [illegible] the [illegible] that [illegible] and Request it Continued as Usual which is Granted until the 4th month next year and [illegible] John Wilbur and Benjamin [illegible] are appointed to have the oversight thereof and to make report at the Expiration thereof.

This Meeting concludes that all our money for the [illegible] be [illegible] meeting [illegible] which is to be [illegible] as heretofore.

The matter of raising money to Supply the Yearly meeting Treasury is Referred to next monthly meeting.

11 mo 1779 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 11th month 1779 the representatives are Benjamin Smith Jun. and Thomas Mott Present.

Joseph [illegible] not being present to make report concerning his [illegible] of his [illegible] therefore that matter is referred to next monthly meeting and then to make report.

George Smith having requested for his children to be taken under friends care; therefore this meeting doth appoint Benjamin Smith Jun. and William Anthony Jun. to joyn with the Women friends and Visit the Family in a Solid manner, and acquaint themselves of their state, and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to treat with [illegible] make report that they have conferred with him on the account of his [illegible] and that he gave encouragement to refrain therefrom

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inquire and give in [illegible] concerning the Said [illegible] the Same Committee are continued in said service and to make report next Monthly meeting.

This meeting doth appoint our Friends Joseph Barker and Benjamin Howland 2nd to treat with Stephen Russell and Stephen Gifford in regard to their misconduct, which they and each of them gave in a paper to this meeting signing their Sorrow for the Same: and Stephen Russell requesting [illegible] is kindly with regard the Committee to make report to next monthly meeting.

Nathaniel Gifford gave in a paper to this meeting condemning his being concerned in a horse race: Therefore this meeting doth appoint Caleb Gifford and Samuel Smith to confer with him on that account and to report to next monthly meeting.

This meeting received an Extract of advice and direction from the Quarterly meetings School Committee in regard to Erecting Schools, which is well accepted & concluded to be conformed to by this meeting. Also a minute from the same Committee relating to Regulating of such Schools which are recommended to this meetings School Committee for their notice and observation, [illegible] this meeting may think [illegible] act in behalf of the whole of them, and they are advised to meet together to act and do what is needful in that matter as often as conveniently as they can [illegible]

This meeting being directed by the Quarterly meeting to raise mony by way of Subscription to supply the yearly meeting Stock. Therefore this meeting doth appoint Thomas Mott Henry Smith, Seth Russell, Daniel Gifford, Timothy Howland and [illegible] Nicholson to take in Subscriptions for that purpose and to pay in the mony so subscribed to this meetings Treasurer, and make report of the Sum total to this meeting as soon as they have accomplished the Same.

John Howland and Rebecca Shepherd 2 [illegible]

John Howland and Rebecca Shepherd declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next Monthly meeting for their answer; and our friends Caleb Russell and John Williams are appointed to inquire into John Howland's clearness in regard to marriage and make report next monthly meeting.

Anne Shepherd [illegible]

This meeting hath Signed a Removal certificate for Anne Shepherd a young Daughter of David Shepherd directed to the Monthly meeting of the [illegible], she being gone there to live.

Rhoda Gifford rec'd by certif. Jean Smith [illegible]

The Women Friends inform they have Received a Removal Certificate for Rhoda Gifford Wife of Stephen Gifford from the Monthly meeting of Acoakset. They also inform they have disowned Jean Smith Wife of David Smith and this meeting hath Signed a Testimony against her in concurrence with the Women's meeting; and the Clerk of this meeting is directed to Read said Testimony Publickly in the Usual manner and make report to next monthly meeting

	£ s. d.
This meeting Collected in hard mony	0..14..6
in paper mony	16..15..0

11 mo 1779 This meeting Concluds to meet in General to Erect and mend up the fences Round this meeting house [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

This meeting Adjourns to the 24th Instant after the meeting of Worship.

Met by adjournment the 24th of the 11th month 1779 The Representatives being Called Benjamin Smith [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] present.

Chilon Wood gave in a paper Condemning his marrying out of the Unity of Friends therefore we appoint Elijah Gifford and Jonathan Wilbur to have the care of that matter: and to Endeavour to discover the sincerity of the Young man in his Condemning [illegible] and make report next monthly meeting.

Caleb [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] gave in a paper [illegible] their [illegible] [illegible] in a Warlike and Stand Gard (as they call it) Therefore we appoint William Sanford Joseph Tucker and John Williams to have an oppertunity of Solid Conference with them in order to discover their sincerity in that matter and make report next Monthly meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of going to the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of this meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a member of this meeting [illegible] our care therefore the Clerk is ordered to give each of them a Coppy of this minute.

Abraham Howland gave in a bill for keeping [illegible] to the amount of £ s d [illegible] and the Treasurer is ordered to [illegible] [illegible] and make report next monthly meeting.

The purchasing Expences of the [illegible] of the [illegible] of the Poor [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] continued until next monthly meeting.

We appoint our Friends Thomas Hicks Benjamin Smith and John Williams and William Anthony Jr to revise and Correct this meetings minnuts in order to go on Record. Also to Settle with the Treasurer and make report next monthly meeting.

William [illegible] being [illegible] from East Hoosuck with [illegible] Certificate [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] which is taken [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] from East Hoosuck with their [illegible] [illegible] to Satisfaction; and now request from us a Removal [illegible] to Hoosuck monthly meeting: Therefore we appoint William Sanford and William Anthony Jr to take the necessary care therein; and prepare and Sign one in behalf of this meeting if they think fit and make report next monthly meeting.

12 mo 1779 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of 12th mo 1779 The Representatives are Benjamin Smith and Richard [illegible] present.

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Joseph Tucker [illegible] of his denial according to appointment.

Geo Smith's [illegible]

Benjamin Smith [illegible] and William Anthony Junr report they have visited George Smith's family on his request for his children to be received under Friends Care, and that they found good Satisfaction therein: Therefore this meeting doth accept of s'd Children to be under the care of this meeting whose names are [illegible] Ruth, [illegible] and William.

Part of the Committee appointed to [illegible] with [illegible] report that they [illegible] accomplished this matter and request it continued; therefore it is referred to next monthly meeting and the Same Committee [illegible] continued in said service and to report next Monthly Meeting.

Part of the Committee appointed to Treat with Nathaniel Gifford in regard to his being concerned in a horse race: made report that he gave them Satisfaction: Therefor this meeting doth accept of his paper condemning his said disorder for Satisfaction.

The Friends appointed to Inquire into the clearness of [illegible] Report they find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage with Reliance Shepherd.

The Clerk report he hath [illegible] the Testimony of denial against Jane Smith according to appointment.

[illegible]

This meeting signed a removal Certificate for Ruth [illegible] wife of [illegible] Sisson to the monthly meeting of Acoaksett.

John [illegible] and Reliance Shepherd appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time before next Monthly meeting: according [illegible] this meeting [illegible] appoint to [illegible] said marriage [illegible] Russell and Benjamin Tabor, and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

Nath'l Gifford & Elizabeth Gifford intentions

Nathaniel Gifford and Elizabeth Gifford declared their Intentions of Taking Each other in Marriage, and were desired to waight till next Monthly meeting for their Answer: and Jonathan Willbor and Thomas Hicks are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness Respecting marriage: and to make report next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer not having paid Abraham Rowland [illegible] reason he hath not called for it he is Still ordered to pay the Same [illegible] called for and make report next Monthly meeting

John Barker having Signified to this meeting of his Intention to take a Jorney with his brother James into the Government of New York and expects to be at Some meetings in them parts: which this meeting approves of he being a member of our Society and a member of this meeting and the Clerk is directed to give him a Coppy hereof.

The Friends appointed to Treat with [illegible] Sherman and Gilbert Russell report they have not fully accomplished the Same tho made Some progress therein therefore the matter is referred to next monthly meeting and the Same friends continued in said Service and then to report.

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1779 Daniel [illegible] requests a Certificate to the monthly meeting of [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] and William Barker are appointed to make inquiry into his Clearness and draw one for him if they find things clear and bring it to next monthly meeting.

Philip Maccomber his Wife and Children having requested to come under the care of Friends therefore this meeting doth appoint Thomas Hicks and William Anthony jun to have a Sollid conference with them in concurrence with the Womens friends in order to discover the motives of request and to make report next monthly meeting.

The Overseers Inform that James Howland hath been a Voyage to Sea as a Mariner in a Vessel that carried Guns for war and they having laboured with him on that account, he neither Condemns nor denys the same: therefore this meeting doth appoint Caleb Russell and John Williams to treat further with him on that account and make report to next monthly meeting.

This meeting hath Collected in hard mony £ 0..2..6
In paper mony 12..18..0

This meeting adjourns to the 29th Instant after the meeting for Worship.

Held by Adjournment the 29th of the 12th month 1779. The Representatives being called both present.

The mater Respecting Stephen Russell and Stephen Gifford not being accomplished are refered to next monthly meeting and the same friends continued in that service and they to make report.

The friends appointed to treat with [illegible] Wood made report that he gave them a degree of Satisfaction, and his paper condemning his marrying out of the Unity of friends being again Read is accepted for Satisfaction.

The matter of a new Choice of Overseers of the poor is refered to next monthly meeting and those of the former Choice continued until a new Choice is made.

The committee appointed to [illegible] and settle the meetings accounts and to make [illegible] with the Treasurer not having accomplished the same they are still continued to performe the Same and to make report next monthly meeting.

This meeting understanding that our Books have been much Scattered abroad: therefore this meeting appoints Thomas Hicks [illegible] [illegible] and Daniel Ricketson to Collect said Books together and make out a true List of them: and also to procure a suitable chest to put them in at this meeting house that they may be for the [illegible] service of friends, and said Committee to make report of their Service therein, and also return said List of the books to next monthly meeting.

The time of the former appointment of Overseers being Expired a new Choice is refered to next monthly meeting and they continued in that until then.

This meeting Adjourns to the 5th day of next month.

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Mett by Adjournment the 5th day of the 1st month 1780. The Representatives being Called, Samuel Smith present Nicholas Lapham not present.

The Queries were Answered in this meeting [illegible] Representatives [illegible] Samuel Smith [illegible] William [illegible] and Gideon Howland: and they are directed to draw the Sum of £40. paper money, and 30 Shillings Silver money out of our Treasury and pay Same to the yearly meetings Treasurer to Supply the yearly meetings Stock, and [illegible].

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Att a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of 1st month 1780 The Representatives are William Barker and [illegible]

The Committee appointed to Confer with Philip Maccomber and Family report that they have not fully accomplished Said appointment Therefore the Same friends are Still continued in Said Service and to make report to next monthly meeting.

Daniel [illegible] [illegible] — [illegible] Removal [illegible] Monthly meeting of [illegible] was signed in this meeting for [illegible]

The friends appointed to Oversee the Marriage of [illegible] and Reliance [illegible] report that they attended Said Marriage and that it orderly Solemnized.

The Friends appointed to Treat with Humphrey Howland report that they have [illegible] with him on that account and [illegible] to give [illegible] Satisfaction, but for a further proof of his sincerity Said matter is referred to next Monthly meeting and they are to make report.

The Friends appointed to Treat with [illegible] Russell report that they have not fulfilled their appointment by reason of the difficulty of the weather they are Still continued to perform it and report next monthly meeting. But the Same Friends report they have Treated with Caleb Sherman who gave them Satisfaction: Therefore his paper Condemning his disorder is now accepted Provided he cause the Same to be Read publickly in the usual maner and Return the Same to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] Howland disowned — The Friends appointed to Treat with [illegible] Howland for his disorder make report, they have performed the Same and that he did not give them Satisfaction: Therefore he is disowned from being a member of our Society And John Williams is appointed to draw a Testimony of denial against him, and also to Inform him thereof and bring it to next Monthly meeting.

Lydia's [illegible] [illegible] — The Women friends inform that they have received into Membership Lydia Pendleton Wife of Seth Pendleton, which this meeting hath Unity with.

Elizabeth Gifford Hannah Wilcox [illegible] — This meeting hath Signed Testimonys of denial against Elizabeth Gifford and Hannah Wilcox and the Clerk is ordered to read publickly in the usual manner and to make report next monthly meeting.

The greater part of the Committee Appointed

1mo 1780. to comply with Stephen Gifford [illegible] that they have performed the same with some degree of satisfaction; Therefore his paper which he hath given condemning his misconduct is accepted provided he cause the Same to be publickly Read as Usual and Return the Same to next Monthly meeting,

This Meeting is Informed by a minute of the meeting for Sufferings that a Number of John Churchman's Journals that have been Printed are now ready: and advise that Friends would Send up their Subscriptions with their money at two Shilling & 9 Silver each [illegible] to the next meeting for Sufferings - and the friends Samuel Smith [illegible] and [illegible] to take in Subscriptions and make report to the Adjournment of this meeting.

This meeting collected in hard money £ s d 03-15-6
in paper money 1-12-1

This meeting Adjourns to the 26th Instant after the meeting for Worship.

Met by Adjournment the 26th of the 1st month 1780 The Representatives being Called both Present.

The friends appointed to inquire into the clearness of Nathaniel Gifford Respecting Clearness in regard to Marriage [illegible], that they have made inquiry and do not find any thing sufficient to hinder their proceeding in marriage.

The friends appointed to Treat with Stephen Gifford report they have met with him and had a Conference with him on the account of his disorder and think best the matter be continued, therefore the matter is referred to next monthly meeting, and the same friends continued in said service and they to make report.

Nathaniel Gifford and Mehitable Gifford appeared for their answer which was, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time before next monthly meeting, advising with the friends this meeting shall appoint to oversee the same, who are Elijah Gifford and Abraham Tucker and they to make report next monthly meeting.

This meeting appoints Elijah Gifford, John Rowland, Caleb Russell, Abraham Rowland, Peleg Slocum and Benjamin Russell [illegible] the [illegible].

The friends appointed to Review and Correct this meetings minutes and to settle accounts with the Treasurer report they have not accomplished the same, they are therefore continued in said Service and make report next Monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to raise mony by way of Subscription have made Report [illegible] of the same [illegible] of 158-16-0 in paper and 2-3-7 in hard money which they have delivered to the Treasurer of this Meeting.

Overseers appd. This Meeting appoints David Gifford Benjamin Smith and Benjamin Rowland [illegible] Caleb Russell and Benjamin Tucker Overseers for the year ensuing.

The Women friends Inform they have Received Grace Gifford into Unity which this meeting Unites with.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly

1st mo 1780. [illegible] Report they have [illegible] [illegible] appointment and have provided an [illegible] for the Same which hath been Read and well accepted. The Same friends also report they have sent the money [illegible] consigned to the yearly meetings [illegible] [illegible] by them.

The Quarterly meeting by their Epistle have recommended to us to appoint a Committee to Join their Committee to confer the matter of Enlarging Sandwich Quarterly meeting by Joining part of this Quarter thereto: which this meeting doth refer to next monthly meeting for further Consideration.

The friends appointed in regard to this meeting's Book [illegible] [illegible] they have acquired a [illegible] and provided the Same to this house and they have Likewise been in a progress to Collect Said Book, but have not fully accomplished the Same, they are therefore continued in Said Service and make report next monthly meeting.

2nd mo 1780. At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the [illegible] of 2nd month 1780 The Representatives are Joseph Tucker and Jonathan Wilcox present.

Philip Macomber [illegible] [illegible] The friends Continued to confer with Philip Macomber and children Report that they have fulfilled the Same who gave them a good degree of Satisfaction: Therefore this meeting doth accept of him the said Philip Macomber and his three children, namely Ebenezer, Barnabas and Abraham to be under the care of this meeting.

The matter respecting [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before who are then to report.

[illegible] certif Received a removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Swansey for John Howland who hath removed here the Same setting forth him to be a member of the Society which is accepted.

The friends appointed to visit with Gilbert Russell make report that they have not accomplished the Same by reason of Some Indisposition of body, and Some disappointment: Therefore they are Still continued in Said Service and to make report next monthly meeting.

Caleb Shearman having caused his paper to be read as expressed by last monthly meeting which is accepted for Satisfaction.

A Paper of denial against Sam. Howland was signed in this meeting and the Clerk is ordered to read the Same publickly at the Close of a meeting of Worship on first day of the week and to make report thereof next monthly meeting and John Williams reports he hath informed Said Howland as ordered.

The Clerk reports that the Testimony against Elisabeth Gifford and Hannah Wilcox having been Read as ordered Last monthly meeting.

Stephen Gifford's paper having been read as ordered is now accepted for Satisfaction and is as followeth,

To the monthly meeting next to be held at Aponagansett on the 18th of the 10th month 1779.

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Dear friends — Having Some time past been so weak as to wander from the principles of truth as to give into the Sin of Fornication as appears by my wifes having a Child so Soon after marriage, for which misconduct I am heartily Sorry for and do Condemn, desiring that my Transgression and that friends would so far pass mine offence by as to let me remain under their care.

From your unworthy friend — Stephen Gifford.

The friends appointed in the case of Stephen Gifford report they have taken the necessary care in that respect but think best said matter be Continued, being referred to next monthly meeting under the care of said friends who are then to make report.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Nathanael Gifford and [illegible], report they attended the Same which was orderly accomplished as far as they could discover.

The friends appointed to Revise and Settle this meetings minutes and Settle accounts with the Treasurer make report they have perused the Same, [illegible] Left their minutes [illegible] on record. They also report there remaining in the Treasury £47..2..6 in paper money and 7..2..0 in Silver money.

The matter in regard to Changing Sandwich [illegible] meeting having been under Consideration of this meeting and Sundry friends expressed their opinions. It is referred to next monthly meeting.

Removal certif for B [illegible] & family

A Removal Certificate for [illegible] his wife and Children was Signed in this meeting directed to the monthly meeting at Saratog and East Hoosuck a former one having been granted by this meeting which he hath not received.

Eleazer [illegible] brings in an account for keeping Alice Smith from the 6th of the 4th month to the 26th of the 10th month 1779 being 29 weeks and 3 days at a Silver dollar per week or the Value thereof, to be paid in such mony as the meetin Collects amounting in Silver Lawful mony to £6..5..0 which this meeting allows and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the Same and make report next monthly meeting.

Humphry Russell and Bethiah Slauch Intention

Humphry Russell and Bethiah Slauch after their consent of parents Declared their Intentions taking each other in marriag and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer; and Benjamin [illegible] and Joseph Gifford are appointed to Inquire into the young mans Clearness and to make report next monthly meeting.

A few lines directed to the monthly meeting of Sandwich was signed in this meeting Informing them That [illegible] Sherman and his [illegible] had Some time since a removal Certificate from this meeting and [illegible] have not received them.

The friends appointed to collect [illegible] report they have made some progress therein, they are still continued in said service and to report next monthly meeting.

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The Overseers Report that James Howland hath married out of the Unity of Friends: and his wife hath had a child soon after marriage: Therefore this meeting doth appoint John Williams and Seth Russell to Treat with him thereof and to make report to next Monthly meeting. They also to draw a paper of Denial against him if he do not make them satisfaction.

Abraham Ricketson hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his former misconduct Relating to his Privateering for which he was Denied: Therefore this meeting doth appoint Thomas Hicks and Samuel Smith to Confer with him on the account and make report next Monthly meeting.

This meeting orders the Treasurer to pay Timothy Howland Nine dollars or the Value thereof in paper for tending the meeting house one year.

This meeting Collected in paper £ s. d. 13"13"0
In Silver 00"15"5.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th 3d month 1783 The Representatives are Thomas Hicks and Benjamin Rider present.

The Committee appointed to Treat with Gideon Russell report that they have performed that appointment to them, and that he gave them a degree of Satisfaction: Therefore this meeting doth accept his paper concerning his misconduct, Provided he Cause the same to be read Publickly in the Usual Manner and return the to next monthly meeting.

The friends continued to have the care of Humphry Howland report That he hath given them a degree of Satisfaction: yet there appearing something in his Conduct that friends are not fully Satisfyed with therefore it is Refered to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before in order for them to prevail upon him to desist from wearing such apparel as well as to convince him of the Evil thereof and to make report next monthly meeting.

Stephen Russell
received in
membership

The friends appointed to Treat with Stephen Russell report that they have had Several conferences with him on the account of his disorder (for which he was disowned) who hath given a degree of Satisfaction: Therefore he is Received into membership again.

[illegible] Slocum
rec'd by certif.

The Women friends Inform they have Received a Removal Certificate for Zeruiah Slocum wife of Jonathan Slocum.

Hannah Willbor
removed

This meeting hath Signed a removal Certificate for Hannah Willbor directed to the Monthly meeting at the Nine partners, She being about to Remove thear.

The Clerk reports the Testimony of Denial against James Howland hath been read as ordered at our Last monthly meeting, which is as followeth,

Whereas James Howland having made Profession with us the People called Quakers. But for want of adhering to the dictates of best Wisdom, hath so far deviated from our Christian

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[illegible] the Commandment of our blessed [illegible] for which [illegible] therefore [illegible] disowning him from being a member of our Society [illegible] Truth, which is our sincere desire.

Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of the 2nd month 1780
by William Anthony jun Clerk.

The Friends appointed to Inquire into the clearness of Humphrey [illegible] report they have made Inquiry and find nothing to hinder his proceeding.

[illegible] appeared for their answer [illegible] that they [illegible] to take each other in marriage [illegible] this Monthly meeting [illegible] William Anthony jun are [illegible] to make report next Monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed [illegible] report they have [illegible] and [illegible] make report when they [illegible].

The Friends appointed [illegible]

Jas Crandal
[illegible]

James [illegible] report [illegible] not inclined to make [illegible] therefore he is [illegible] disowned from being a member of our Society [illegible] against him [illegible] and sign it on behalf of this meeting [illegible] this Monthly meeting. [illegible] make report next Monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed [illegible] report that they have not had opportunity to treat with him, therefore they are still continued in said service and make report when they have accomplished the same.

The Friends [illegible] Timothy [illegible] and make report to next Monthly meeting.

[illegible] going on [illegible] the Monthly meeting at Sandwich [illegible] being gone there to live [illegible] an [illegible] and Joseph Tucker jun are appointed to [illegible] in that respect and to draw one for him and bring it to next [illegible] of meeting.

[illegible] informed that the Widow Elizabeth [illegible] and her family being [illegible] hence to [illegible] to live: [illegible]

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[illegible] are appointed to make the necessary [illegible] in that respect and to draw a removal Certificate for them if they find things clear: (they to Join with the Women friends in said case) and report to next monthly meeting.

There was a Certificate Signed in this meeting by the Clerk for Hezekiah Smith directed to the monthly meeting at the Nine partners; as he hath thoughts of going there to make some Stay in his Labour.

The Queries were Answered in this meeting and an Epistle Signed directed to the Quarterly meeting by our representatives Benjamin Howland Samuel Smith Thomas Hicks William [illegible] to attend said Quarterly meeting & report next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer having not paid Gideon Howland he is desired to accomplish it and make report to next monthly meeting.

	£ s d
Collected in paper	18..19..2.
Collected in silver	0..11..8.

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Att a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of 4th month 1780. The Representatives being called, John Williams and Elihu Gifford who was appointed at the Preparative meeting not present.

Gilbert Russell caused his paper to be publickly Read and returned to this meeting as ordered last monthly meeting. Which is as followeth,

To the Preparative and Monthly meeting of Friends to be held at Dartmouth the 10th of 11th month 1799.

Whereas I Some time past did Inconsiderately go on a Military Guard which I now am Sorry for and do Condemn desiring friends to pass it by and let me remain under their Care from your friend Gilbert Russell.

The matter of Humphry Howland is referred to next monthly meeting by reason but one of the Committee being present and the said Committee then to make report.

The Friends appointed to see Humphry Russell and [illegible] Marriage Solemnized report they attended said marriage and saw nothing but that it was in a degree orderly.

The Clerk reports that James Bowdish's paper of denial hath been Read as ordered, and John Williams reports he hath informed said Bowdish of his denial, — Which is as followeth,

Whereas James Bowdish having had a Right of Membership with us the People called Quakers in Dartmouth. But for want of taken heed to the reproof of Instruction in his own heart hath so far gone a Stray as to be found guilty of the Sin of Fornication as appears by his wife's having a Child Soon after marriage and also neglects the attendance of our Religious Meetings: For which Friends having Laboured with him, but declines to Condemn the same to friends Satisfaction: We therefore give this forth as a publick Testimony against such conduct, hereby disowning him the said James Bowdish from being a member of our Society and from under the Care of this meeting, [illegible] [illegible] Testimony desiring he may come to a sence of his outgoings and return to our [illegible]

Signed in and on behalf of our aforesaid meeting held in [illegible] this [illegible] day of [illegible] mo 1783

By William Anthony Jun Clerk.

The friends appointed at last meeting [illegible] the matter of [illegible] last monthly meeting, [illegible] [illegible] Howland. Reports he is continued to accomplish the same and to report next monthly meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended but Thomas Hicks who sent a reasonable excuse. and the [illegible] Epistle from said Quarterly meeting which was read and [illegible].

Barnabas Mosher Jr and Ruth Anthony Intention — Barnabas Mosher Jr and Ruth Anthony appeared in this meeting and Declared their Intention of Taking Each other in marriage: and were desired to waite till next monthly meeting for their answer: and John [illegible] and [illegible] are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and report next monthly meeting.

Received from the meeting for Sufferings [illegible] for [illegible] Friends Sufferings, which are [illegible] the [illegible] appointed in our meeting some time past to collect [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] and comply with.

This meeting adjourns till tomorrow after meeting: Which meeting being called by reason of a Funeral.

[illegible] the adjournment this [illegible] of 4th month 1783

The Representatives being called [illegible] present. Elihu Gifford [illegible].

The Committee appointed to prepare a Certificate for [illegible] Barker not having prepared the [illegible] [illegible] to next monthly meeting and said friends continued in the Same Service then they to make report.

The friends appointed last monthly meeting to [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] not having accomplished the same by reason the matter was not presented to the Morning meeting said friends are therefore still continued in said Service and to make report to next monthly meeting.

Whereas Joshua [illegible] and his Son Joshua having some years past Removed from hence into the Compass of Sandwich monthly meeting and having removal [illegible]: but as we are informed of [illegible] they have not delivered their Certificates to said meeting: This meeting therefore appoints our friends John Williams and [illegible] to treat with them the said [illegible] and Son on the account of their [illegible] neglect and to inquire into their conduct since removed and make report next monthly meeting.

[illegible] request a Certificate to the monthly meeting at Sandwich setting forth his clearness respecting marriage. Therefore Joseph Barker and Thomas Hicks are appointed to take the needful care in that Respect and [illegible] one to next monthly meeting

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Lois Shearman
disowned

The Women friends Inform they have denied Lois Shearman wife of Andrew Shearman which this meeting Concurs with.

	£	s.	d.
Collected in paper money	19	17	0
In Silver money	00	5	2.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 5th month 1780 The Representatives are Abiel Gifford and Joseph Russell Jun. present

The Committee appointed to treat with Timothy Howland not getting in a satisfactory answer from him nor yet fully clear in their Discharge of their appointment, they are therefore Continued in Said Service and to make report when they find themselves clear in that matter.

The Treasurer not having paid Timothy Howland as directed last monthly meeting: he is therefore continued for that Service and to make report next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to Inquire into the clearness of Barnabas Mosher Report they have made inquiry in that respect and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Barnabas Mosher and Ruth Anthony appeared at this meeting and their mind was, that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting: advising with the friends this meeting shall appoint to Oversee the Same who are Abiel Gifford and John Devol and they to report next monthly meeting.

One of the Committee that this meeting appointed to Collect friends Sufferings being deceased: Our friends Thomas Hicks, Elijah Gifford and [illegible] are now added for that Service.

Asa Barker
Removed

A Certificate for Asa Barker Son of Isaac Barker was Signed in this meeting directed to the monthly meeting at Sandwich being gone to live as an apprentice there.

The friends appointed to treat with Joshua Shearman and his Son Joshua make report that they have fulfilled their appointment therein: and that Joshua Shearman Senior doth condemn his not giving his Certificate to the meeting as was directed and some other of his misconduct: but he being in the unaccountable practice of the neglect of the due attendance of Religious meetings: Therefore said Committee are continued to treat further with him and to make report next monthly meeting. They also report that the young man hath attended Seperate meetings and that he gave them no Satisfaction therein: Therefore this meeting doth disown him from being a member of the Society: and the Said Committee are ordered to draw a Testimony of denial against him and Inform him thereof and bring said testimony to next monthly meeting.

Joshua Shearman
disowned

A Certificate for Abner Devol directed to Sandwich monthly meeting certifying of his clearness respecting marriage was Signed in this meeting.

A Removal Certificate for Elisabeth Anthony and Such of her Children as were members of this meeting

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Elizabeth [illegible] and family and Lydia Barker and family and Martha [illegible] removed — Also a Removal Certificate for Lydia Barker and her four daughters Directed to the monthly meeting at the Ninepartners [illegible]

Also a Removal Certificate for [illegible] the monthly meeting at East Greenwich, she having [illegible]

[illegible] of the 6th month [illegible] the sum of 8..8..0 paper mony which this meeting allows and orders the Treasurer to pay when Supplied with money.

	£	s.	d.
Collected in Silver	1	1	1½
Collected in paper	19	10	0.

Out of which collection Eighteen Shillings in Silver was paid to William Mosher and Samuel Smith, Who have Reimbursed [illegible] to pay for two of John Churchman's [illegible] for this meeting.

A paper directed to the [illegible] to Enquire into the [illegible] Said paper was Signed in this Meeting and the Clerk is ordered [illegible] a Coppy thereof To keep on file.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 6th month 1780. The representatives are Elijah Gifford Thomas Hicks and Benjamin Smith [illegible]

Visit of John Lloyd. Our Friend John Lloyd [illegible] meeting with a Certificate from the [illegible] in the County of Philadelphia Dated the 25th of 4th month 1780 which [illegible] were accepted.

S Buffinton and family rec'd by certif — [illegible] the monthly meeting of Swanzy Bearing date the 5th of the 6th month 1780 For Stephen Buffinton his wife Sarah and their Children they having removed here to reside.

[illegible] thy Howland as Grand.

The Friends appointed to Oversee the marriage of [illegible] and Ruth Anthony report they attended said marriage and did no see but that it was accomplished orderly.

[illegible] against [illegible] monthly meeting as they have not [illegible] to accomplish the same.

The [illegible] by way of the Preparative meeting that Joseph Smith and his son John and William [illegible] and his son [illegible] have been in the practice of attending such meetings

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by the Rules of the Society of Friends: and that he the said [illegible] Smith hath allowed some of said Friends to be held in his own house; and said Smith and other friends having laboured with them for amendment but they still continue to persist in [illegible] the same, and much neglect the attending our meetings Therefore we appoint our friends Caleb Russell Seth Russell Thomas Hicks [illegible] Jonathan Wilbor and William Anthony Jun to further labour with them and to Endeavour in Love and meekness to convince them of the evil tendency of such practice and to restore them to Unity with friends again: and to make report next monthly meeting.

The Removal [illegible] that was signed at our last monthly meeting for [illegible] being not [illegible] by reason of some [illegible] therein and another [illegible] signed in this meeting on the [illegible].

The Queries were Read and answers thereto prepared approved and signed and the Epistle to the Quarterly meeting Read signed and sent to the said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Caleb Russell William Anthony Jun and Caleb [illegible] and they to make report next monthly meeting.

This meeting hath been informed by one of the Committee appointed by our yearly meeting: that they are to visit with this meeting respecting being added to Sandwich Quarter. And requesting the attention of a Committee; which is agreed to [illegible] the meeting.

Ann Almy rec'd by cert.

The Women Friends informs they have received a Removal Certificate for Ann Almy from the monthly meeting of Rhode Island she having Removed here to Inhabit.

[illegible]

A Copy of the Minute respecting the [illegible] of our Friend [illegible] was [illegible] and signed in this meeting by the Clerk; and [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] to this meeting.

This meeting Collected in Silver £ 0. 17..3½
In paper 23..01..0

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At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of 7th month 1780. The Representatives are Caleb Russell and William Mosher — present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended agreeable to appointment and have produced an Epistle from the same which was Read to good acceptance, wherein is Recommended a Subscription to Supply the yearly meeting Stock with the [illegible] [illegible].

Copies of Epistles from our last yearly meeting, a written one from London of the year 1779 and one from Pennsylvania of the 9th month last were all read in this meeting to good Satisfaction. —

[illegible]

A removal Certificate for Jonathan [illegible] his wife [illegible] and their child Martha was read in this meeting and accepted they being removed here to Inhabit.

The matter continued respecting [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] not being fully completed

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they are still continued to next Monthly meeting, and the same friends is
appointed as continued in that Service and to report to next monthly meeting.

The friends part of the friends appointed to
treat with Joseph Smith and his Son Abner and William Tabor and his Son Edward
make report that they or the visiting committee had an opportunity with
them, and that the committee none of them in such manner as inclined
to justify their misconduct in attending Separate meetings without
obtaining the Same nor desiring Friends to wait further with them:
Therefore this meeting taking the matter into Solid consideration do
conclude to disown the said Joseph Smith his Son Abner, and William
Tabor and his son Edward and said Committee are appointed to
draw a Testimony or Testimonies of denial against them and inform
them thereof and bring it to next monthly meeting.

Disownment of Joseph Smith, Son Abner, Wm Tabor & Son Edward

The matter in regard of appointing a
committee to treat with the Quarterly meetings Committee respecting
enlarging Sandwich Quarter was considered: and we appoint our
Friends Benjamin Smith, David Gifford, William Barker, Caleb Russell,
William Anthony Jr, Thomas Hicks, Elijah Gifford and John
Williams for that Service and to make report when they have
accomplished the Same.

Benjamin Smith jun having given in
an account to this meeting for keeping Isaac Smith about 16
weeks in the year 1779 amounting to 18 Dollars which is approved
and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same when supplied with
money by this meeting.

Aphia Mosher disowned.

A Testimony of denial against Aphia
Mosher was Signed in this meeting.

[illegible] being about to take a jour-
ney to East Hoosac and Saratoga in order to make Some Stay there:
informs this meeting thereof: and requests a Certificate; the
Clerk is ordered to furnish him a Copy of this minute.

The Women Friends inform that [illegible]
wife and Children having removed to Rhode Island, and as
there are several things attending the situation: This meeting doth appoint
Stephen [illegible] Joseph Buckle and Thomas Hicks to assist and join
with the Women in making inquiry into their Circumstances, and
prepare a Certificate for them if the present things clear.

Caleb [illegible] is desired to draw a Certificate for
[illegible] Barker [illegible] who hath removed into the Verge of the
[illegible] Monthly meeting if on inquiry they may think proper
and bring it to next monthly meeting.

		£ s. d.
Collection in Silver		1„0„2
in Paper		15„18„0.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth
the 21st of 8 month 1780. The Representatives are Elijah Gifford and
Caleb Green present.

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony
of denial against Patience Stedman have performed the same
and brought it to this meeting; which was Signed by the Clerk.

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and is ordered to read it publickly in the usual manner and make report next monthly meeting. They also report they have [illegible] [illegible] they have removed agreeable [illegible] monthly meeting. The said Committee also report they have treated with Joshua [illegible] and that he did not give them Satisfaction: Therefore he is disowned being from being a member of our Religious Society: and said Committee are appointed to [illegible] a testimony and to make report next monthly meeting.

Joshua [illegible] Disowned

Testimonies of denial against Joseph Smith and his son John and William Taber and his wife Mary and their son Samuel and daughter Patience [illegible] in this meeting & the Clerk is ordered to read them publickly in the usual manner and make report next monthly meeting: and the Committee who had the care of those matters are desired to inform them of their denial and make report next monthly meeting.

Mary Taber and son Disowned.

The friends appointed to [illegible] [illegible] in respect to [illegible] [illegible] (wife of [illegible]) and their [illegible] report the matter is not accomplished: they are therefore continued in said service and to report next monthly meeting.

The same Committee being appointed to [illegible] for [illegible]: who report that things are not yet clear, they are therefore still continued in the same service and to make report next monthly meeting.

The meeting is informed by the [illegible] of the preparative meeting that [illegible] Smith hath been in the practice of attending meetings that are held out of the unity of our Society, and hath been Laboured with to desist but he still continues to justify himself therein [illegible]: this meeting doth appoint our friends [illegible] Tucker Jun and [illegible] to labour further with him the said [illegible] and if they do not find [illegible] satisfaction: to draft a testimony of denial against him and inform him thereof and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting.

Abiel Gifford desires a Certificate for his son John Gifford setting forth his right of membership among us, to the monthly meeting of [illegible] he having gone to reside within the verge of that meeting with a [illegible] which is [illegible] by this meeting therefore the Clerk is ordered to give him a copy of this minute.

John Gifford [illegible]

The [illegible] reports he hath [illegible] [illegible] as ordered last monthly meeting.

This meeting hath been informed that John Smith son of [illegible] is removed to reside within the compass of East Hoosuck and Saratoga monthly meeting and as he has a Birthright in the Society, this meeting doth appoint Samuel Smith and Benjamin [illegible] and [illegible] to [illegible] a [illegible] from the meeting where he resides the circumstances of him the said John Smith and make report next monthly meeting.

Friends conclude to meet in general [illegible] clear [illegible] land [illegible] meeting house; therefore [illegible] the [illegible] for that purpose is the

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weather be Suitable if not the first fair day.

	£	s	d
Collected in Silver	1	1	[illegible]
Collection in paper	23	9	0,

This meeting adjourns to the 30th Instant after the meeting of Worship.

Held by adjournment the 30th of the 8th month 1780. The Representatives being called both present.

As it is recommended in the last Epistle from the Quarterly meeting that the [illegible] friends therefor [illegible] in order to supplying the yearly meeting Treasury: Therefore this meeting doth appoint our friends Caleb Greene, James Tucker George Smith Jonathan Willbor and Benjamin Tifford Jun to collect by Subscriptions such sums of money as they have freedom to give and pay the same to the meeting's Treasurer and make report to this meeting of the sum that [illegible] when ready.

As there will be Hay wanting at the Quarterly meeting Nicholas Lapham William Barker and Jonathan Willbor are appointed to procure some on that account.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Benjamin Howland the five Silver dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year.

Certificate for Service for Anna Tifford

Anna Tifford having desired our certificate to the Quarterly meeting at Salem, She having it on her mind to Visit that meeting. Therefore one was drafted and Signed in this meeting Setting forth our unity and her acceptable publick testimony.

Whereas John Potter some time past went off to the Eastward parts to make some stay there: and [illegible] Anthony Jun and Samuel Smith being appointed to inspect into his Circumstances, and finding things not clear was directed by this meeting to inform him of his disorder and to take what other necessary care they may think proper in that respect and make report when ready: accordingly they now report: That he the said John went away in a disorderly manner without the advice of friends or without the consent of his Guardian (he being under age) and he not having yet returned nor any like account been received from him: Therefore this meeting doth still continue said committee to make further inspection into the conduct of the said John Potter as opportunity may offer and act therein as they in the leadings of Truth may see meet and make report when they see fitt.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of 9th month 1780 The Representatives Benjamin Tucker and Jonathan Willbor present.

The Clerk reports he have not read the denial of Joshua Shearman Jun as directed last Monthly meeting he is therefore still continued to perform it and make report next Monthly meeting.

And John Williams reports that Joshua Shearman senior hath been informed of his denial as ordered.

The Clerk informs that the denial of Joseph Smith and John Smith hath been read as directed last Monthly

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meeting: and was informed of their denial — Which is as followeth —

Whereas Joseph Smith, and his Son John, having long made profession with us the people called Quakers and been under the care of this meeting: but have so far deviated from the rules of our discipline as to frequent meetings held out of the unity of our Society and joined in publick worship with them that are disowned by us the afore said [illegible]: also the said John Smith frequently allowed such meetings to be held in his house and friends having bestowed much labour in love to reclaim them from such practices that are so contrary to the principles we profess: but our labour with them not having the desired effect to friends Satisfaction and they continue to justify them-selves therein: Therefore for the maintaining the principles we profess we are concerned to give forth this Testimony against them the said Joseph Smith and John Smith hereby disowning them from being in unity with us and from under our care yet if it be agreeable to divine goodness that they may be directed to the way of Truth and find mercy which is our sincere desire.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of 8th month 1780

by William Anthony Jur Clerk.

The Clerk reports he hath not read the Testimony of denial against William Tabor his wife and their children Edward and Patience he is desired to accomplish it and make report next monthly meeting.

And the Committee who had the care thereof are desired to inform them of their denial and make report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to assist in drawing a Testimony against [illegible] Tucker [illegible] and also to joine the Women in drawing a Certificate for Priscilla [illegible] and her Children report that neither of them are accomplished they are therefore continued in said Service and make report next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to Treat with Elisha [illegible] not having accomplished the Same they are desired to continue said Service and make report next monthly meeting.

John Smith removed

John Smith Son of Peleg deceased having removed to East Hoosuck a few lines directed to that meeting setting forth his membership a birth right in the Socity was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk.

The Treasurer reports he hath not paid Benjamin Howland 3rd for keeping the meeting house as ordered: he is now ordered to pay the said Benjamin Six dollars and two thirds for keeping house 8 months last past and make report next monthly meeting

The Overseers inform that Amaziah Tabor Son of William, is in the practice of attending meetings held out of the unity of our Socity and hath been Laboured with by said Overseers and he rather justifies himself therein, Therefore we do appoint John Williams and Stephen Buffinton to Treat with him the said Amaziah and if they do not find Satisfaction they are to draft a Testimony of his denial and inform him thereof and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting.

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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] having [illegible] [illegible] meeting they [illegible] [illegible] next monthly meeting [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] are appointed to [illegible] into the young mans Clearness in respect to marriage and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

We appoint our friends James Tucker, Nicholas Lapham and Philip Maccomber to Joine the Overseers of the poor, and Endeavour to [illegible] [illegible] of the meeting [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] our poor [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and to [illegible] [illegible] they shall think best for the [illegible] and no more, and make report to this meeting from time to time when it is accomplished with account of the Wood so Cutt.

Whereas some time past this meeting did appoint a Committee of friends to Joine the Overseers in Visiting and Stirring up the [illegible] members [illegible] and now some of said friends with some others having accomplished said service: have now made report of doings therein which is well accepted and ordered to be recorded which is as followeth.

Report of Committee [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Having some time past some Friends were appointed to assist the Overseers in visiting some of our negligent members, and some being appointed with some other friends having had a concern on their minds to [illegible] and make a General visit to friends families among our monthly meeting for the [illegible] of our Antient Discipline in Stirring up the [illegible] [illegible] minds to Love and good works: and having [illegible] on our minds not only to the [illegible] but those that are [illegible] [illegible] towards in order to Encourage and Strengthen one another with [illegible] that the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] from time to time through the many deep Exercises of mind [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and find Peace and Satisfaction [illegible]: which is a Sufficient Reward.

And now after having accomplished said visit which in General was well accepted: yet not without some Exceptions in some particular families. We incline to give some account of the State of Friends in our meeting. We Trust there are Some that are Labouring to do their day's work in the day time, which we believe deserve a word of Encouragement. Through Truth [illegible] to [illegible] Love so that it might truly be [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] much [illegible] [illegible] with the many things that are [illegible] Especially by the Love of money [illegible] and [illegible] of God.

Dated 18th of 9th month 1780.

[illegible] Tucker — Thomas [illegible]
Susanna [illegible] — [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Hicks

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting and this meeting that he desired to be [illegible] from the [illegible] of an Overseer and friends having [illegible] [illegible] him accordingly to his request he [illegible] having

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[illegible] [illegible] accepted.

Collected in paper money 3"16"0
Collection in Silver mony 1"4"7½

This meeting adjourns to the fifth day next after the meeting of Worship.

Mett by adjournment the 27th of the 9th month 1780. The Representatives being called both present.

[illegible] Gifford having given in a paper to this meeting condemning his [illegible] the sin of Fornication with [illegible] of his misconduct and request to be restored under Friends care again and as he is removed into the compass of East Hoosack and Saratoga Preparative meeting and [illegible] under the care of us here this meeting doth appoint our friends Samuel Smith and William Anthony to write to that meeting requesting them in our behalf to endeavour to discover the sincerity of him the said [illegible] Gifford and inform us thereof.

Relinquished [illegible] [illegible] Jonathan Russell and Sarah Russell attended this meeting and each produced a few lines from the meeting at East Hoosack and Saratoga setting forth their concurrence with said friends their removing by which said lines were [illegible] and their visit was accepted.

John Allen (son of Jonathan) hath given in a paper to this meeting requesting to be taken under friends care therefore our friends William Mosher and Abiel Gifford are appointed to take an opportunity of Solid conference with the petitioner in order to discover the motive of his request and make report thereof next monthly meeting.

An additional choice of Overseers hath been proposed and referred to next Monthly Meeting for further consideration.

The Queries were answered and an Epistle signed in this meeting for the Quarterly meeting and said answers with Epistle forwarded to said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Thomas Hicks Abiel Gifford Elijah Gifford and Caleb Russell and they to make report next monthly meeting.

Committee [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] As there have been Several Publick friends lately removed by death from among us, and our discipline requiring that some testimony or particular account of such friends be transmitted to the Quarterly and yearly meeting; this meeting doth appoint our friends Thomas Hicks, Caleb Russell, William Mosher and Abiel Gifford to collect the necessary perticulyrs in order; and to drawft such testimony or testimonies, if they shall think it necessary and make report when they have accomplished the same they to joine [illegible] with Samuel Smith who was formerly appointed for that Service with Humphry Smith but the said Humphry being deceased the above friends are appointed in his Stead.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of 10th month 1780. The Representatives being Caleb Russell and Abiel Gifford both present.

The matter of an additional choice of Overseers being considered and several nominated, but said matter of

10 mo 1780 Still continued to next monthly meeting.

The Clerk reports he hath Read the Testimonies of denial of Joshua Sherman jun. & William Faber and his Wife and their Son Edward and Daughter Patience agreeable to appointment, and they not having appealed [illegible] [illegible] to Record them the said Testimony of this meeting [illegible] upon [illegible] monthly meeting — Which said Testimony are as followeth.

Whereas Joshua Sherman (son of Joshua) hath had his Education among Friends and hath by his deviation from the principles we profess of Truth and Unity of Friends as frequently attend meeting. Inconsistent to the Rules of our Society neglecting the attendance of our meetings of Worship and Discipline and he not inclining to condemn [illegible] our Labours of Love with him therein, Therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends, we are concerned to give forth this as a Testimony against him the said Joshua Sherman jun. as not being a member of our Society yet desiring he may be favoured with a sight of his errors and by going and that he may find a return to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Dartmouth the 21st of 8th month 1780

by William Anthony jun. Clerk.

Whereas William Faber and his wife Mary Faber and Edward Faber their Son and Patience Faber their daughter having all made profession with us the people called Quakers and been under the care of this meeting But hath so far departed from the principles we profess, so as to frequent meetings held out of the Unity of our Society and Join in publick Worship with them who are disowned by us the people aforesaid and the said Patience also appearing disguised in some of her dress and friends having Laboured much in love to reclaim them from such practices but our Labour not having its desired effect to friends Satisfaction; and they continuing to justify themselves therein: Therefore for the maintaining the principles we profess we are concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against them the said William Faber and Mary his wife and Edward Faber and Patience Faber their Children hereby disowning them from being in Unity with us and from under the Care of this meeting; yet if it be agreeable to divine goodness, that they may be restored to the way of Truth and find mercy is our sincere desire.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 8th month 1780.

by William Anthony jun. Clerk

Susanna Smith Clerk.

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony for David Shearman not finding things clear are still continued in said Service and to make report when it is required.

The friends appointed to treat with [illegible] Smith report they have performed their appointment but that he did not give them any Satisfaction in regard to his misconduct: Therefore they have drafted a Testimony against him which after being read and considered was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is directed to read it in the Usual manner and make

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The Friends appointed to treat with Amaziah Faber Son of William not having accomplisht the Same, they are Still continued in Said Service and to make report next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer reports he hath not paid Benjamin Howland 2d as ordered there not being a Sufficiency in Stock he is nevertheless ordered to pay the Same when he is Supplied with money by this meeting and to make report.

The friends appointed to discover the [illegible] of the request of John Allen having that matter under [illegible] next monthly meeting which is referred under their care and they are then to make report.

The representatives to the last Quarterly meeting report, that they all attended and produced an Epistle from that meeting which was read in this meeting and well accepted.

[illegible] Briggs disowned The Overseers inform by the way of the preparative meeting that Sarah Briggs has married out of the unity of friends after being cautioned by said overseers; therefore the said Sarah Briggs is hereby disowned of being a member of our Society and from under our care and Jonathan Wilbor is appointed to inform him of the same and report next monthly meeting.

Visit of [illegible] Our Friends Isaac Kelley from East Hoosack: James Sowle Solomon Hussey and Samuel Hammond from Ninepartners have attended this meeting with Certificates from the respective monthly meetings they belong to which were read in this meeting to Satisfaction and their Visitt well accepted all of which were Endorsed with a few lines and Signed by the Clerk.

The Friends appointed to inquire into the clearness of Humphry Sherman report they find nothing material to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Humphry Sherman and Mercy Lapham appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some convenient time before next monthly meeting adviseing with the friends that this meeting Shall appoint to oversee the Same who are William Sanford and Benjamin Smith 2d and they to make report next monthly meeting.

Hezekiah Smith returned a Certificate which was granted him by this meeting Some months past; it being Endorsed at the month meeting of Ninepartners.

Martha Slocum [illegible] A Removal Certificate for Martha Slocum and Several of her Children whose names are Benjamin, Martha, John, Gideon, William, Sarah, Thomas, Christopher, Elizabeth and Mary was Signed in this meeting directed to the monthly meeting of Rhode Island.

Mary Smith A Testimony of denial against Mary Smith daughter of Jonathan Smith was Signed in this meeting and the Clerk is directed to read the same publickly at the close of the meeting of Worship before next monthly meeting and then to make report of the same.

[illegible] The Womenfriends Inform they have Received Mehitable Russell, now Allen, daughter of Jacob Russell deceased which this meeting concurs with.

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Our Friend Freeborn Rider informs us that she has a desire to attend the Quarterly meeting next to be held at the Long Plain for Sandwich and at the Old meeting house at Cushnet and desired her Certificate: these may inform that She is a Friend in Unity and her Publick testimony well accepted and the Clerk is desired to give her a Coppy of this minute.

Our friend William Mosher hath Informed this meeting of his Intention to goe to the Ninepartners upon business and hath thought of attending the Quarterly meeting at Oblong which this meeting approves he being a Friend in unity and a member of the Select meeting; and the Clerk is directed to give him a coppy of this minute to Inform Friends thereof.

Others.

Our friends Ebenezer Allen and Thomas Allen informes this meeting that they intend to go to visit their friends and Relations at the Nine partners [illegible] which this meeting approves, and the Clerk is desired to give them a Coppy thereof.

Our friend Caleb Greene informs this meeting of his Intention to go to the Oblong and Nine partners and hath thoughts of attending the Quarterly meeting of Oblong on business, which this meeting approves he being in Unity and a member of this meeting and the Clerk is directed to give him a coppy hereof.

Collected in Silver money £ 1 " s 5 " d 7

Collected in paper money 10 " 10 " 0.

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Att a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of 11th month 1780. The Representatives are Jonathan Willbor and Seth Huddleston Present.

The matter of choosing Overseers having again been under consideration and Same is Suspended untill the expiration of the time of those that now Stand as Overseers.

Samuel Smith informs that he hath Informed William Tabor his wife Mary and Edward Tabor and Patience Tabor their Son and daughter of their Denial.

The Clerk reports he has read the Testimony of denial against Eliashib Smith according to appointment which is as followeth,

Whereas Eliashib Smith Son of Joseph Smith having made Profession with us the People called Quakers: but hath so far departed from the Principles we make profession of as to attend Separate meetings that are held out of the unity of our Society and Join in publick Worship with them that have been disowned by us and Friends having Laboured with him in Love to shew him his misconduct and that Labour of Love not having the desired Effect; Therefore we are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the Said Eliashib Smith, hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society and from under the care of this meeting: yet we sincerely desire if it be consistent with divine wisdom that he may be favoured with a Sense of his misconduct and find mercy.

Given forth by friends at their monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 9th month 1780 and Signed in and by order of said Meeting

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By William Anthony Jun Clerk.

The friends appointed to visit with Amaziah Faber report they have fulfilled the Same, but that he did not give them any Satisfaction therein; but Justified his conduct. Therefore drafted and brought a Testimony of denial against him and have informed him thereof; which was Signed by the Clerk and is directed to be read at the close of a first day meeting [illegible] and report the Same to next monthly meeting.

[illegible]

The friends appointed to confer with John Allen in regard have made a Satisfactory report: nevertheless said matter is still continued under their care untill next monthly meeting and then they to make report.

The friends appointed attend the marriage of Humphrey Sherman and Mercy [illegible] report they attended the Same and that it was accomplished in a becoming manner.

Jonathan Wilbor reports he hath inform[illegible] [illegible] of his denial according to appointment.

The Clerk reports he hath Read the Testimony of denial of Mary Smith daughter of Jonathan Smith as appointed.

[illegible] Tucker hath given in a paper to this meeting Requesting for himself and Several Young Children, namely Esther, [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], Patience [illegible] to be taken under the care of Friends; therefore this meeting doth appoint William [illegible], Thomas Hicks and Thomas [illegible] to join the Women friends, and to take an opportunity of a Solid conference with him in order to discover the motive of his request and to inspect the circumstances, and make report next monthly meeting.

[illegible] Hathaway Jun making the like request and Seth Russell, Stephen Buffinton and James Davis appointed for the Same purposes as above and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] requests to be discharged from Standing in the place of an overseer of the poor which is granted and he dismissed accordingly.

[illegible] informs this meeting of his Intention to go to East Greenwich and Nine partners to do Some business and to see his friends which this meeting approves: he being a member of our Society and under the care of this meeting and the Clerk is directed to give him a copy of this minute.

Proposals for reprinting of John Griffith's Journals &c: hath come from our meeting for Sufferings: Therefore William Anthony Jun, [illegible] and John Williams are appointed to take in Subscriptions for said Journals and make report when they have accomplished the Same.

Robt Parker
[illegible]

Robert Parker and Ruth Tucker declared their Intentions of Taking Each other in marriage, and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer and Barnabas Mosher and John Devol are appointed to Enquire into the young mans clearness and make report next monthly meeting.

The [illegible] accounts [illegible]

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	£	s.	d.
To [illegible]	2	15	0
Seth Russell to the glasier for mending glass	1	13	3
To Philip Macomber for Hay	2	6	6
To William Barker	2	15	10

All in Silver hard money. And the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same when he is supplied with money and make report to this meeting.

The Friends that were appointed to examine the account of the meeting at [illegible] report that it hath been kept up in a good degree orderly and desire the same continued as usual heretofore: which is granted and the same to continue until some inconveniency attend the same and our friends Caleb Russell Benjamin Taber [illegible] William Barker [illegible] Benjamin Smith 2d [illegible] Gifford and William Anthony Jur are appointed to visit said meeting when conveniency will allow and to make report to this meeting as frequently as they may see occasion.

	£	s.	d.
Collected in Silver money	1	0	[illegible]
Collected in paper money	1	13	0

12 mo 1780 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of 12th month 1780. The Representatives are Elijah Gifford and Joseph Tucker Jur both present.

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial of Amaziah Taber according to appointment, Which is as followeth

Whereas Amaziah Taber (Son of William) having made profession with us the people called Quakers but hath been found in the practice of frequenting and joining with Separate meetings contrary to the unity of our Society and we having [illegible] in a spirit of Love to reclaim him the said Amaziah but he still continuing to Justify the practice; Therefore for the clearing of Truth we give this forth as a Testimony against him hereby disowning him from being one in unity with us. Nevertheless it is our desire that he may come to a sense of his outgoings and return to the way of Truth.

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of 11th month 1780. Signed in and by order of said meeting

By William Anthony Jur Clerk.

John [illegible] The Comittee appointed in the case of John [illegible] request make the like report as at the last monthly meeting which is Satisfactory. Therefore we the said John [illegible] is received a member [illegible].

The Friends appointed on the case of [illegible] request report that they have had a conference with him in his family and witness a degree of Satisfaction, and the matter is referred to next monthly meeting and said friends still continued in said service and to make report next monthly meeting.

And likewise the Committee appointed in the like case with Benjamin [illegible] Jur report that he gave them a good degree of satisfaction, which matter is also referred to next monthly meeting and the Same friends Continued in

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said Service and then they to make report.

The Friends appointed to inquire into the Clearness of Robert [illegible] Report they have made inquiry therein and find nothing sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage agreeable to his proposal.

The Friends informed by way of the Preparative meeting that John Barker Benjamin Dickerson and William [illegible] have joined with a considerable Large company of young people, and were together under pretence of roasting and Eating of Oysters, and after providing and partaking of a considerable Entertainment at the Shore, both of provision and Spirituous Liquors, several of them went to a house and there took very undue Liberty Even to Musick and Dancing: and said Friends having Laboured with them on that account, but they not giving them Satisfaction therein this meeting doth appoint our friends William Anthony jur Thomas Hicks and [illegible] [illegible] to treat further with them therein and make report next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to Collect Money by way of Subscription to supply the Yearly meeting Treasury make report that they have fulfilled their appointment, and have Received the Sum of 10£.. 7s.. 3½d L.M. and delivered to this meeting's Treasury for the Use above said.

[illegible] and [illegible] appeared for their answer in regard to their proceeding in Marriage. Which was, that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage, in Some convenient time before next monthly meeting, advising with the friends this meeting Shall appoint to see their said marriage orderly accomplished, who are our friends Barnabas Mosher and John Devol; and they to make report next monthly meeting.

Elizth [illegible]

The Womens Friends inform they have disowned Elisabeth Smith wife of Joseph Smith Since this meeting Concurs with and the Clerk hath Signed a Testimony of denial against her.

[illegible] in hand money 1£.. 15s.. 3½d
In paper 3.. 6.. 0

This meeting Adjourns to the 27th Instant after the meeting of Worship.

Held By adjournment the 27th of the 12th month 1780. The Representatives being called are both Present.

The Queries were read and Answers prepared in this meeting and an Epistle Signed by the Clerk which was ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Abiel Gifford William Anthony jur Caleb Greene, John Williams and they to Report to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends named [illegible] Smith [illegible] Jonathan [illegible] and William Mosher are appointed to procure and take in Subscriptions for Schools agreeable to the directions from the meeting for sufferings of the ninth month last therein, said friends to make report when ready.

Benjamin [illegible] appeared in this meeting [illegible] 1781 — [illegible] [illegible] condemned he appear at the Sitting of this meeting and dropt some Expressions by way of reflections on Benjamin Gifford which gave friends some uneasiness. But he appearing as above said and condemning the same, friends Concludes to accept of his acknowledgment for Satisfaction.

Testimony [illegible] — A Copy of a Manuscript wrote by our deceased Friend Elizabeth [illegible] deceased [illegible] Testimony that this meeting formerly gave forth concerning her was read in this meeting and sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the [illegible] of the 1st month 1781. The Representatives are John Devol and Joseph Tucker Jr Present.

The friends appointed to confer with Joshua Cotter and his young Children being called upon, [illegible] absent from that of Last monthly meeting the matter is therefore referred to next monthly meeting under the same care as before and said friends then to report.

B. [illegible] — Likewise the friends appointed in the like case with Benjamin Hathway make a satisfactory report. Therefore this meeting [illegible] [illegible] from the said Benjamin Hathway [illegible]

The friends appointed to attend the Marriage of Robert Parker and Ruth Tucker report that they attended the same and saw nothing but that it was accomplished orderly.

Overseers appd. — Our Friends Benjamin Smith 2d Caleb Russell, Caleb Green, Elijah Gifford, Seth Huddlestone and Joseph Barker, are appointed Overseers for the year Ensuing, or till others are chosen. Who are desired diligently to attend to the leadings of Truth, therein Endeavour to see that the Testimony thereof be kept to in the Several members thereof to the discipline of the Church.

Our Friends John Devol, Jonathan Wilbor, Philip Macomber, Thomas Mott, Nicholas Lapham, Seth Russell and Abraham Howland are Overseers of the Poor for the year Ensuing.

A Certificate for Nathaniel Sisson was produced and read in this Meeting from the Monthly meeting of the Nine Partners setting forth his Clearness respecting marriage: He hath also produced his mothers consent for him to proceed in marriage with Grace Gifford. Therefore

N. Sisson G. Gifford — Nathaniel Sisson and Grace Gifford declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage. and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer.

This meeting collected in Silver 7 " 11 " 10
in Paper 30 " 2 " 00

This Meeting adjourns to the 24th instant after the meeting for Worship.

Met by adjournment the 24th of the first month 1781. The Representatives being called Joseph Tucker Jr Present, John Devol not Present by reason of indisposition of body.

The Representatives from the Quarterly meeting [illegible] 1781 report that the money for the Yearly meeting's Stock was paid and the yearly meeting's Treasurer's Receipt produced for the same.

Nathaniel Gifford [illegible] a paper to this meeting condemning his falling into the Sin of Fornication, but said paper being mislaid it is Referred to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Treat with William Rowland John Barker and Benjamin Russell Request that matter referred to next monthly meeting which is accordingly.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended and have produced an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting which was read in this meeting to good Satisfaction.

[illegible] Shepherd having requested (by way of the Preparative meeting) a removal certificate to Sandwich monthly meeting for his son Barnabas Shepherd, therefore our friends William Barker and Thomas Russell are appointed to Enquire into the young man's conduct and Clearness in respect to marriage: and if they find things clear to draw a certificate and bring to next Monthly meeting.

One of the Overseers Inform [illegible] that Jonas Slocum hath fallen into the Sin of Fornication, as charged upon him by Elizabeth Allen: Therefore our friends William Anthony jun. Samuel Smith and Stephen Buffinton are appointed to Treat with said Jonas Slocum on that matter and make report to next monthly meeting.

Proposals for altering or dividing the Quarterly meeting was Read and Signed in this meeting by the Clerk in order for a concurrence of the other monthly meetings therein.

See following page [illegible] A Removal Certificate for [illegible] Barker and Three Sons namely Edward David and Jonas directed to the Nine Partners monthly meeting was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk: and as there are some of his outward affairs not fully settled: the Committee is ordered to keep the same and not deliver it, until the said affairs are Settled to Satisfaction.

[illegible] 1781 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 9th of [illegible] month 1781. The Representatives are Abiel Gifford and Barnabas Howland, Present.

The Friends appointed to consider and confer with Joshua Potter and his minor Children, on their request to come under friends care; Report that they had an opportunity of solid conference with them to Satisfaction therefore the said Joshua Potter and Children namely Esther, Stephen, Eleanor, Grace, Patience and [illegible] are received under our care.

The Women Friends Inform they have received Mary Potter and Rhoda Potter under their care which this meeting concurs with.

Nathaniel Sisson and Grace Gifford appeared without answer in regard to proceeding in marriage: Which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the Friends they

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meeting shall appoint to see said marriage orderly accomplished: who are William Mosher and Abiel Gifford and they to make report next monthly meeting

Nathaniel Gifford and his Wife [illegible] being married and [illegible] in this meeting - Therefore - our friends Abiel Gifford and William [illegible] are appointed to join the Women meeting to take an opportunity of solid conference with them the said Nathaniel and wife in order to discover their sincerity and sorrow: and make report next monthly meeting.

A Removal Certificate for Barnabas Shepherd directed to the monthly meeting of Sandwich setting forth his right of membership and clearness of marriage Entanglements - was Signed in this meeting.

The matter respecting Jonas Slocum is refered to next monthly meeting under the care of those friends who were appointed to treat with him they having made some progress and desire it refered which is accordingly refered and they then to make report.

Hannah [illegible]

A Certificate was Signed in this meeting directed to the monthly meeting of Rhod Island in behalf of Hannah Bennet Wife of [illegible] Bennet Setting forth her right of membership and Recommending her to the care of that meeting.

The Committee having the care of the matter concerning William [illegible] and John Tucker and Benjamin [illegible] desire it refered which is refered under their care, and they to make report next monthly meeting.

D Barker [illegible]

The Committee which had the care of David Barker's Removal Certificate report that his affairs were settled to Satisfaction and the said Certificate delivered to him.

The Women Friends inform that they have disowned Deborah Wood wife of Stephen Wood which this meeting concurs with

Phebe Sisson having requested for her Children for her children to be taken under the care of this meeting, Therefore our friends William Mosher and Seth Russell are appointed to join the Womenfriends in their care and Enquiry in that matter and make report next monthly meeting.

This meeting Received a Letter from the monthly meeting of Saratoga Dated 11th of 1st month 1781, Informing that Deborah [illegible] hath married out of the order of friends.

William Gifford desiring a Certificate to the Monthly meeting of Accoaxet Setting forth his Right of membership and clearness respecting marriage, Therefore this meeting doth appoint our friends Joseph Tucker Jun and William Wood to inquire into the young mans clearness and if they find things clear to draw a Certificate and bring with him to next monthly meeting.

Nathan Russell, Caleb Tucker [illegible] Howland 2d and George Smith 2d having given in papers condemning their misconduct in going to an Entertainment where there was fruit and taking undue Liberty thereat; Therefore our friends Thomas Hicks Joseph Gifford William Anthony Jun [illegible]

2 mo 1781 Benjamin [illegible] Russell and Seth Huddleston are appointed to take opportunity of solid conference with those young men to discover their sincerity and make report to next Monthly meeting.

This Meeting is informed by the way of Preparative meeting that Nicholas Tucker is in the practice of frequenting and joyning with meetings held out of the unity of our Society and after being laboured with declines to condemn it to friends satisfaction: Therefore our friends Benjamin Tucker Jr and Joseph Gifford are appointed to treat with said Nicholas and if he doth not give them satisfaction, to draw a paper of denial and bring to next monthly meeting.

Henry Smith gave in a bill to this meeting for Hay and Carting to the amount of £3-12-0 which the Treasurer is ordered to pay.

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Collected in Silver money	5-6-11
Collected in paper money	8-16-0

3 mo 1781 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 3rd month 1781. The Representatives are Benjamin Smith 2d and Chilon Wood Present.

The Friends appointed to See the Marriage of Nathaniel Gifford and Grace Gifford accomplished, report that they attended said marriage and did not See but that it was orderly Consummated.

Ruth Gould & Daughters Rec'd — This meeting is informed by the Women friends that they have received Ruth Gould wife of Joseph Gould with her daughters whose names are Susannah, Mary and Thankful which this meeting concurs with.

Certificates of David Brooks and Seth Coffin — Our esteemed Friends David Brooks and Seth Coffin attended this meeting Producing Certificates dated 2nd of 10th month 1780 at Deep River Guilford County North Carolina: which was read in this meeting with Satisfaction, and their Visits and Labours of Love acceptable, Comfortable and Edifying.

also of John Forman — Our esteemed Friend John Forman also attended this meeting and produced a Certificate dated at the Monthly meeting at Byberry in the County of Philadelphia and in Pensylvania the 30th of 1st month 1781 which was read in this meeting, and his visit and Labours of Love, acceptable comfortable and Edifying to us.

and Thos. Scattergood — Our esteemed Friend Thomas Scattergood of [illegible] attended this meeting in company with our above said friend and his visit and Loving advice was acceptable and Edifying to us.

The Friends appointed to Joine the Women friends in conferring with Nathaniel Gifford and wife report that they had an opportunity with them and that they gave them a degree of Satisfaction, but request the matter may be continued another month which is accordingly referred under the same friends as before, Together with Jonathan Willbor who is

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added to them and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to treat with James Brown desire it continued another month, which is accordingly and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

A Certificate was signed in this meeting for William Gifford directed to the monthly meeting of Acoaxet setting forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage.

Nicholas Davis disowned

The friends appointed to treat with Nicholas Davis report that they had an opportunity of solid conference with him but that he was not then disposed to give them any satisfaction they therefore according to appointment produced a Testimony against him which was signed in this meeting by the Clerk, who is desired to read the same at the close of a first day meeting of worship some time between this and next monthly meeting and make report to next monthly meeting. And Benjamin Mathews is appointed to inform said Nicholas thereof giving him a Copy of the Testimony if he desires it and make report to next monthly meeting.

James Lawson desires a Certificate to [illegible] setting forth his right of membership, therefore our friends Samuel Smith and Abraham Rowland are appointed to draw one and bring with them to the adjournment of this meeting.

Seth Hart & A. Anthony [illegible]

Seth Hart and Abigail Anthony declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage and they were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer, and our friends William Foster and Benjamin Tucker are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and make report to next monthly meeting.

Freeborn Tucker removed

A Certificate in behalf of Freeborn Tucker directed to Friends within the Verge of Sandwich monthly meeting, was signed in this meeting by the Clerk setting forth her right of membership and service in the ministry.

Grace Gibson removed

A Certificate was signed in this meeting by the Clerk in behalf of Grace Gibson setting forth her right of membership directed to the monthly meeting at the Nine Partners

Hannah Gowdish [illegible] also Abigail [illegible]

The Women friends inform that they have received a Certificate from [illegible] directed to this meeting for Hannah Gowdish wife of William Gowdish Junr.

Also one from Sandwich monthly meeting to this meeting, for Abigail [illegible] wife of [illegible] setting forth their right of membership.

Returning minutes for D. Brooks, J. Forman, Seth Coffin, and T. Scattergood

A Few lines by way of Endorsement was signed by the Clerk on the Certificates of our esteemed friends David Brooks and John Forman expressing their attending this meeting and that their visit and labours in Gospel Love with us was Edifying and Satisfactory. Also that of Seth Coffin's acceptable visit in company with the other friends.

A Few lines by way of Certificate directed to the monthly meeting of Philadelphia Northern district was signed in this meeting by the Clerk expressing Thomas Scattergood attending this meeting and his acceptable visit and labour in Gospel Love,

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This meeting is adjourned to the 12th instant after [illegible] meeting of [illegible]. 11

This meeting held by adjournment the 12th of 3rd month, 1781 The representatives being called both present.

The Friends appointed to Confer with Jonathan Russell, Caleb Russell Joseph Rotch [illegible] and Joseph Smith 2d, and others report, that Some of the Committee had an opportunity of Conference with the young men and said Committee desires the matter may be referred another month which is accordingly referred under their care and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] A Certificate in behalf of James Dorson setting forth his right of membership directed to the Monthly meeting of Nantucket was signed in this meeting by the Clerk.

Joseph King having requested to come under the care of Friends of this meeting Therefore this Meeting appoints our Friends William Anthony Jun and Elijah Gifford to take an opportunity of a Solid conference with said Joseph in order to discover the motive of his request and make report thereof to next monthly meeting.

Prince Potter having requested for himself and children to come under Friends care this meeting therefore appoints our friends William Mosher Jonathan Hatt and Benjamin Chase to join with the Women Friends, and take an opportunity of Solid conference with said Prince and family, in order to discover the ground of the request and they also to make report thereof to next monthly meeting.

Testimonies of Publick Friends deceased. Adam Mott, Paul Russell, Susanna Gifford

Testimonies concerning our beloved friends who are deceased viz, Adam Mott Paul Russell and Susanna Gifford all of whom were publick Friends, was read in this meeting and signed by the Clerk by order of which was ordered to be made out and sent to the Quarterly meeting.

Two of the Friends appointed to confer with Swanzey monthly meeting respecting Edward Thurston Jun his Wife and children have made the following report,

Whereas Edward Thurston Jun and his wife Parnal having a Right of membership amoung Friends at Dartmouth some years past and have lived within the bounds of Swanzey monthly meeting a number of years and not requesting a Certificate from Dartmouth: and of late said Monthly meeting taking the matter under Consideration: and by a committee from Each Monthly meeting, whose names are hereunto Subscribed: Enquiry have been made into their Lives and Conversations and as it not only appears that they neglect the attendance of Meetings but fall so much short of living up to the Principles of Truth in bringing up their Children and many other respects: that we think it most for the honnour of Truth to disown him the said Edward Thurston his wife Parnal and their Children from having any right of membership amoung us.

The 5th of 3rd month 1781.

William Anthony Junr
Robert Slade
Azariah Shove
Eber Chase
Thomas Hicks
Benjamin Buffinton

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Which report is so far accepted as to appoint our friends Thomas Hicks and Thomas Russell to deal with them on the aforesaid accounts: and to make report to next Monthly Meeting.

Our Friends Thomas Hicks, Caleb Greene William Anthony Jur and Samuel Smith are appointed to revise the Quarterly Meetings minutes in order that they may be recorded - as well as to record those things to be recorded from the Yearly meeting in Book of Discipline: as also to to Settle Accounts with the Treasurer and make report next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer reports he hath paid the following Bills as ordered (viz) To Henry Smith for Hay £3"12"0
To Philip Maccomber for Hay 2"6"6
To Gideon Howland for keeping Alice Smith 8"8"0

Gideon Howland gave in a bill to this meeting for keeping Alice Smith 30 weeks and three days amounting to the Sum of £9"12"6. Also Henry Howland gave in a bill for keeping the Same woman 16 weeks at 9s per week amounting to the Sum of Twenty four dollars, Both which Bills the Treasurer is ordered to pay when he is supplied with money for the Same.

The Queries have been Read and answers made, read and approved with an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting, all of which were Signed and sent by our representatives to the Quarterly meeting who are our friends William Anthony Jur Thomas Hicks Samuel Smith and Thomas Russell.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of 4th month 1781. The Representatives are [illegible] and Philip Maccomber - Present.

The Friends appointed to join the Women friends in a Conference with [illegible] and Wife report, that as they have not had an opportunity of Such a Conference since last monthly meeting, therefore desire that matter referred, which is accordingly referred under their care and they to make report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Treat with [illegible] Slocum desiring the matter continued another month which is accordingly continued under the care of the same friends who are to make report next Monthly meeting.

[illegible] Hathaway reports that he hath informed Nicholas [illegible] of this minute. The Clerk reports that he hath not read the Testimony of said Nicholas's denial as ordered. He is desired therefore to read the same at the close of a first day Meeting for Worship between this and next Month[ly] meeting and then make report thereof.

The friends appointed to Inquire into Seth Hart's Clearness respecting Marriage report that they find nothing Sufficient to hinder his proceeding in Marriage.

Seth Hart and Abigail Anthony appearing for their answer Which was that they proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some convenient time between this and next

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monthly meeting concurring with the Women this meeting made appoint a certain marriage accomplished between William [illegible] and [illegible], and they to report to the next Monthly meeting.

Returning Minute of [illegible]

A minute by way of Endorsement on the Certificate of our esteemed Friend [illegible] (Expressing [illegible] attending the Several Sittings of the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings of Nantucket to Satisfaction) was read in this meeting.

Maria Smith [illegible]

A Testimony against Maria Smith Wife of John Smith, was Signed in this meeting in concurrence with Women friends therein, and the Clerk is directed to read the Same at the close of a first day meeting of worship between this and next monthly meeting and make report next Monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to have an opportunity of Solid conference with Joseph Wing: reported that they have had an opportunity with him and that he gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, but that they desire the matter referred another month, which is accordingly referred to next Monthly meeting under the Same Friends care, and they then to make report.

This meeting accepts of William [illegible]son's paper (which he gave in Some time past, Condemning his misconduct in Joining with a young company in mirth ~~and~~ merriment at an Entertainment of roasting and eating [illegible]) to satisfaction.

The Friends appointed to join the Women friends in a Solid conference with Prince Potter and family report, that they have not had an opportunity with him; and desire the matter referred, which is accordingly referred to next Monthly meeting under their care, and they then to make report.

The Committee appointed to confer with Edward [illegible] and family desire the matter referred which is accordingly referred under their care to next Monthly meeting and they then to make report.

The Friends appointed to Revise the Minutes and Settle with the Treasurer desire it Referred another month which is accordingly referred under their care and they to make report next monthly meeting.

The Representatives to the last Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended, and produced an Epistle from said meeting, which was Read in this meeting to Satisfaction.

The Committee appointed to take in Subscriptions for Bibles agreeable to the Recommendation of the Meeting for Sufferings, now report that the Several members of this meeting with some of their friendly neighbours have Subscribed for 7 folio, 45 large Quarto: 39 large Octavo and 29 Small Octavo Bibles, which is be Sent for on account and Risk of the Subscribers who are to pay whatever the cost and charge of the Bibles may be: amounting to the number of 120 in the whole.

The above report is accepted and a Coppy thereof is ordered to be Sent up to the meeting for Sufferings.

The paper of Benjamin Rick[illegible],

4 mo 1781. Caleb Barker, William [illegible], John Barker, [illegible] Jonathan Russell and George Smith, in [illegible] given in some time past, concerning their misconduct in going to an entertainment where undue liberty was taken which paper is accepted for satisfaction provided the above said young men cause it to be read publickly at the close of a first day meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting they being present, and [illegible] to make return and and report thereof next monthly meeting.

[illegible] requests a removal Certificate recommending [illegible] to the Monthly meeting at Acoaxet, and our friends [illegible] and William Anthony Jr are appointed to take the necessary care therein and bring one to next monthly meeting if they think proper.

Collected in Silver £ s. d. 1"10"1

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At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 21st of 5th month 1781. The Representatives are William Barker and William Wood Present.

The Friends appointed to Join the Women Friends in a Conference with Nathaniel Gifford and Wife, report, that they have not had opportunity as desired, therefore desires it refered which is accordingly refered under the Same friends care; and they to make report next Monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to Treat with [illegible] Slocum desires that matter refered another month, which is accordingly refered under the Care of the Same friends who are to report to the next monthly meeting.

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial against Nicholas Tabor: and also that against Mariam Smith wife of John Smith as ordered last Monthly Meeting. That against Nicholas Tabor is as followeth.

Whereas Nicholas Tabor hath had his Education amongst us the People called Quakers, but hath so far departed from our religious Principles as to frequent meetings of Worship which are held out of the unity of our Society; and he being Laboured with to desist therefrom, but in not having the desired effect; We are therefore Constrained to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him the said Nicholas Tabor, disowning him from being a member of our religious Society, and from under our care; Yet still desiring that he may be favoured with a Sight and Sense of the Error of his out going and Experience the income of divine regard.

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19 of 3 month 1781. Signed in and on behalf of sd meeting

by William Anthony Jun Clerk.

The Friends appointed to see the Marriage of Seth Read and Abigail Anthony accomplished, report, that they both attend and did not see but that it orderly Consumated.

The friends appointed to confer with Joseph Wing reports that they had not the desired opportunity with him therefore desire it refered another month which is accordingly refered under the Same friends Care and they to make

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report next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to join the Women friends in a further conference with Prince Potter and Family report, that they had an opportunity of conference wherein they had a good degree of Satisfaction, therefore this meeting (on their request and in concurrence with the Womens friends meeting) accepts of the said Prince Potter his wife Hannah and all their children now born, to be under our care.

Prince Potter and family rec'd

The Friends appointed to Treat with Edward Thurston and family wherein they were Joined by the women friends report that they had an opportunity of conference with said Edward and family, and that they therein had no Satisfaction; therefore this meeting doth disown the said Edward, his wife [illegible] and their Children from having any right of membership amongst us, and from under our care. And the Clerk is Desired to Transmitt a Coppy of this Minnute to said Family and make report next monthly meeting.

Edw'd Thurston and family disowned

The Clerk Informs that Benjamin Richerson, Caleb Barker William Barker Jur John Barker Joseph Howland 2d Jonathan Russell and George Smith 2d have had their Paper to be read as directed last monthly meeting, and returned said paper which is as Followeth;

To the Monthly meeting of Friends to be held the 19th of Second month 1781

Whereas We sometime past Joined a considerable large company in an Entertainment with roasting and eating [illegible] wherein was also provided victuals and Spiritous Liquor, and after partaking of the Same with Mirth and Merriment we (with said company) repaired to a house where was musick and dancing, and so far Joined with them, as to remain at the house till the Company dispersed: For which misconduct we are Sorry and do condemn desireing Friends may so far pass it by as to let us remain under their care.

From your real Friends
Joseph Howland 2d Benjamin Richerson
Jonathan Russell Caleb Barker
George Smith 2d William Barker Jun
John Barker.

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting a Certificate for Henry Howland and Children to the monthly meeting of Accoakset report that they have not accomplished one by reason of an objection; therefore it is referred another month under the same friends care and they to make report next Monthly meeting.

William Russell gave in a paper to this meeting condemning his making a Gameing Instrument - Yet in order to discover his Sincerity in condemning it. This meeting doth appoint our Friends Seth Russell, Stephen Buffinton and John Williams to take an oppertunity of Solid conference with him the said William and make report next monthly meeting.

Humphry Howland gave in a paper

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time considerable time past concerning his misconduct in horse-racing and other things: which is now accepted for satisfaction, providing he causes it to be read publickly at the close of a day meeting of Worship, he being present at the reading thereof, returning and making report of the same to next monthly meeting.

William Howland informs this meeting by the way of the Preparative Meeting, that he intends to go to Nantucket in order to go to Sea from thence if he should find a voiage agreeable to his minds: he desireing a copy of a minute thereon he having a right of Membership among us. This meeting desires he may be under the care of Nantucket Monthly meeting while there and the Clerk is desired to give him a copy thereof.

The Friends appointed to settle accounts with the Treasurer and with the Monthly meeting Treasury request it refered another month which is accordingly under their care and they to report next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to have the care of Friends Books report that they have sold seven Books at two dollars or [illegible] which is Fourteen dollars and paid the same to the Treasurer.

Collected in Silver money £ s d 1"6"0

This Meeting is adjourned to the 30th Instant after the meeting for Worship.

Mett by adjournment the 30th of the 5th month 1781. The Representatives are William Foster and William Wood present.

This Meeting is informed by the way of Preparative meeting that Jacob Trueman hath married out of the Unity of friends, & Friends having Laboured with him thereon, it is referred to next Monthly meeting for consideration.

Joseph Gifford Jur requesting (by the way of the Preparative meeting) a Removal Certificate for himself and children to the Monthly meeting of Sandwich as he hath removed within the Verge of that meeting to live: therefore this Meeting doth appoint William Foster and Stephen Gifford to take the necessary care therein: and if they find things clear to bring one to next Monthly meeting.

Stephen Smith son of Benjamin Smith requesting a copy of a minute of this Meeting setting forth his right of Membership to be directed to the Monthly meeting of Friends in Salem Quarter as he has gone to do some business there, and the Clerk is directed to give a copy thereof; he having a right of membership among us, and this meeting desiring he may be under friends care while there.

This meeting is informed by way of the preparative meeting that David [illegible] hath removed out of the Verge of this Meeting and not requested our Certificate, which not being according to good Order amoung us therefor our friends John Devoal and Abiel Gifford are appointed to treat with him thereon and make report when ready.

Jonathan [illegible] desiring a removal

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Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Endeavours and [illegible] respecting Marriage [illegible] [illegible] aside. Therefore our friends Benjamin Tabor and William Wood are appointed to take the necessary care thereto and if they find things clear to bring it to next Monthly Meeting.

[illegible] Certificate being returned from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich with Endorsement; informing that said Certificate did not mention his outward affairs being Settled: Enquiry being made therein and finding things clear therein, an Endorsement was made thereof on said Certificate and forwarded.

[illegible] The Women Friends Inform that they have received a Certificate [illegible] Wife of John [illegible] under their care: which this meeting concurs with.

The Overseers Inform that Benjamin [illegible] ([illegible] disregarded) [illegible] the advice of Friends, [illegible] [illegible] therefore our friends Benj Smith, Stephen Buffinton, Caleb Russell and Ebenezer Allen are appointed to visit said Benjamin and advise and assist him as the affairs of Truth may [illegible] and make report next Monthly Meeting.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of 6th month 1781. The Representatives are Caleb Russell, Joseph Barker, Elijah Gifford and Henry Smith all Present.

Religious Visits of Jas Thornton, Saml Smith, Thos Carrington also Warner Mifflin, David Cooper, Geo Churchman --- Our Esteemed Friends James Thornton from Byberry & Samuel Smith of Philadelphia both of the Province of Pensylvania and Thomas Carrington of New Haven attended this Meeting, producing Certificates from the Meetings they belong to; and their Visits and Labours in Gospel Love acceptable. Also Our Esteemed Friends Warner Mifflin of Duck Creek Kent County on Delaware, David Cooper of [illegible] in New Jersey and George Churchman of Nottingham Cecil County all producing Certificates from the Monthly Meetings they belong to and their Visits here well accepted.

The friends appointed to confer with [illegible] and [illegible] report that they desire that matter continued another month, which is accordingly referred till next Monthly Meeting under their care they then to make Report.

The Friends appointed to Deal with and inspect into the Conduct of Jonas Slocum, report that they desire that matter continued another month under their care they then to make report.

The friends appointed to confer with Joseph Wing report that they had an opportunity of conference with him and that he gave them a degree of Satisfaction, yet desires ye matter continued another Month which is accordingly under the same friends care and they to make report next Monthly meeting.

The Clerk informs he hath transmitted a coppy of the minnute of Last monthly meeting to Edward Thurston and family respecting their denial, as ordered.

The friends appointed to take the

6 mo 1781 [illegible] respecting a Removal Certificate for [illegible] and [illegible] that [illegible] of [illegible] meeting [illegible] monthly meeting therefore the matter is continued under the Same, [illegible] and they to make report when ready.

The friends appointed to have a Solid conference and inspection into the conduct of William Russell in order to discover his sincerity in condemning his misconduct in making a Gaming Instrument report they have had some conference with him but desire the matter [illegible] another month with an addition of friends therein, Who are William [illegible] and William Anthony jr and they together to take the necessary care therein and make report to next monthly meeting.

Our Friends William Anthony jun and Samuel Smith are appointed to draw Certificates for our Friends James [illegible] Samuel Smith, Thomas [illegible] Hannah [illegible] and George [illegible] who attended this meeting; to bring them with said Certificates to the adjournment of this meeting.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 27th Instant after the meeting of Worship of that day.

The 27th met by adjournment: The Representatives all present Except [illegible] who is gone to the yearly meeting at Nantucket.

Caleb Greene is appointed Clerk for this time.

Humphrey Howland's paper not being read as directed last monthly meeting he not being informed thereof; he is now informed and directed to [illegible] the same [illegible] mentioned last monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to Settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise the monthly meeting minutes report that they have revised the minutes but have not accomplished the rest, therefore the finishing the same is referred under their care till next monthly meeting and then to make report.

Our Friends William Barker and Joseph Tucker jun are appointed to make Enquiry and Treat with [illegible] on his marrying out of the unity of friends: and make report thereof next monthly meeting.

Jon^a Greene removed. A Removal Certificate was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk for Jonathan Greene directed to the monthly meeting at Greenwich Setting forth his Right of membership Clearness respecting marriage and outward affairs being settled, he having gone to said place to reside.

Part of the Committee appointed to Visit Benjamin Allen (Son of Philip deceased) and advise and assist him in some of his outward affairs report that they visited him and gave him such advice as they thought necessary but the matter not being fully accomplished his brother [illegible] being concerned in the matter with him, therefore the same friends are continued in that service and are to advise said Benjamin and [illegible] and others of that family concerned therein as they may find necessary

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The Friends appointed some considerable time past to treat with [illegible] report that they have [illegible] with him [illegible] times and he has [illegible] from his misconduct and gave Friends a good degree of satisfaction: therefore said report is accepted as satisfactory.

Silvia Smith Requesting for her young Son Benjamin Rowland Smith to be received under Friends care: therefore our friends Thomas Hicks and Philip Macomber are appointed to take necessary care in the matter and make report next monthly meeting.

Returning Minutes for J. Thornton, S. Smith, W. Mifflin, T. Carrington, & G. Churchman.

Certificates were signed in this meeting by the Clerk for our Esteemed Friends James Thornton and Samuel Smith directed to the several monthly meetings they belong to; setting forth their acceptable visit and service in the Ministry, and sound and weighty conversation: Certificates were also signed as above said for our Friends Warner Mifflin, Thomas Carrington and George Churchman directed to the several monthly meetings they belong to setting forth their acceptable visit and service in the work of the Ministry.

The Queries have been read and answers thereto prepared, and with some amendment, approved and sent by our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting with the Epistle which was read, approved and signed.

Our Friends William Barker, Caleb Greene, Abner Devol, Seth Huddleston and Benjamin Gifford Jun are appointed to attend our next Quarterly meeting and make report to our next monthly meeting.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of 7 month 1781. The Representatives are [illegible] William [illegible] and Joseph Tucker Jr Present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended that meeting and have produced an Epistle from the same which was read in this meeting to satisfaction; And the weighty advice therein respecting Friends settling their outward Estates and making their Wills whilst in health is recommended to the solid attention of each member of this meeting.

A Transcript of the Epistle of the Yearly meeting from London last year was also produced by the sd Representatives and read in this meeting to satisfaction.

The Friends appointed to labour with Nathaniel Gifford and Wife report, that they had an opportunity with them and that they gave them some degree of Satisfaction; yet as they are slack in attending Religious meetings, and for a further discovery of the sincerity of said Nathaniel and Wife in the condemning their misconduct, the matter is continued under the care and inspection of the same friends who are to report when ready.

The Friends appointed to Treat with Jonas Slocum and inspect into his conduct report that they do not find his fruits Sufficiently to demonstrate a State of Sincere

6mo 1781 Requirements, yet not being able to [illegible] therefore said matter is again continued in said friends care and they to make report next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to confer with Joseph King report that they had an Opportunity of Solid conference with him and that he gave them some degree of Satisfaction: but this meeting concludes to continue that matter one month longer, and it is accordingly referred to next monthly meeting under the same friends care and then they to make Report.

The Friends appointed to have a Solid conference with and inspection into the conduct of William Russell in order to discover his Sincerity in condemning his misconduct in writing a Threatening Instrument, report that they had an opportunity with him and that he gave them so much Satisfaction that this meeting concludes to accept of his paper for Satisfaction provided he cause said paper to be read at the close of one of our publick meetings for Worship on a first day between this and next monthly meeting and make return and report the same.

The Clerk informing by desire of Humphry Howland that his paper hath not been read as directed at last monthly meeting, therefore the clerk is desired to direct him to cause it to be read as directed next monthly meeting.

Children of [illegible] This meeting in concurrence with the Womens meeting doth conclude to receive [illegible] children whose names are Stephen, Ruth, and Sarah, under our care.

The Committee appointed to settle accompts with the Treasurer report that they have accomplished the same and find in Stock four Shillings and Eight pence Lawful hand money 0"4"8 not paid out which Benjamin [illegible] is ordered to pay to Jonathan [illegible]: and the meeting in debt [illegible] £"11"4 not yet paid. Leaving the meeting in debt £"6"8 Lawful hand money.

The Committee appointed in 2nd month 1780 to visit and confer with Abraham Ricketson on his request to be restored among Friends and he not appearing to continue his request this meeting concludes to discharge that matter and said committee from that Service.

Part of the Committee appointed in the 2nd month 1780 to collect the meetings Books report that they have made Some progress therein and they are therefore continued in that Service and to make report next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed in the 2nd month 1780 to take the necessary care in the matter respecting John [illegible] being many in a disorderly manner Report that they have made Some progress therein and they are so continued in that Service and to make report when ready.

The Friends appointed to deal with [illegible] for his removing out of the verge of this meeting without requesting a certificate report that they have treated with him and that he did not give any Satisfaction: Said

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Committee also inform that said David is in the practice of attending meetings held out of the unity of our Society and that they had treated with him on that account, and that he justified himself, therefore Caleb Russell and John Williams are appointed to take an opportunity of solid conference with him thereon and if he doth not give them satisfaction to draw a Testimony of denial against him and inform him thereof and bring said Testimony with them to next monthly meeting.

[illegible]

Benjamin Taber having served this meeting as Treasurer for some time to satisfaction and requesting to be dismist therefrom he is therefore dismissed and Jonathan Willbor is appointed to that Service for the year Ensuing.

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This meeting Received a [illegible] minute from South Kingstown in behalf of Andrew Nichols Jun Son of Andrew Nichols for informing of his Right of membership and of his removing from that meeting to Bedford to Live.

This meeting is adjourned to the 25th instant after the meeting of Worship of that day.

Mett by adjournment the 25th of the 7th month 1781. The Representatives being called Joseph Tucker Jr present John Williams not present for which no Excuse was rendered.

The Friends appointed to make Enquiry and Treat with Caleb Sherman on his marrying out of the Unity of Friends Report that they had an opportunity with him and that he gave them no Satisfaction. They also Inform that said Caleb is guilty of fornication as appears by his wife having a Child soon after marriage, therefore the same friends are continued to Joyn the Women friends in treating with said Caleb and Wife, if they do not find Sufficient Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of denial and bring to next monthly meeting.

Caleb Russell in behalf of the Committee appointed to visit Benjamin Allen (son of Phillip deceased) and the rest of the family, report that they appointed a time and place to meet them, but they not meeting them as appointed the Committee desires the matter deferred another month which is accordingly Referred under their care till next monthly meeting they then to make report.

[illegible]

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting the request of Silvia Smith for her young Son Benjamin Howland Smith to be taken under Friends care, report that they have taken the necessary care therein by taking an opportunity of solid conference with said Silvia thereon, who gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, respecting the Religious Education of her Child therefore this meeting in a Solid consideration thereon, concludes to receive said Benjamin Howland Smith under our care.

[illegible]

Silvia Smith Requests a Coppy of a minute of this meeting to the monthly of Nantucket, Signifying the right of membership of her Son Benjamin Howland Smith (he being this day received into membership with us) he being gone to

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Ja. Johnson returned — James Johnson hath returned a Certificate that was received from this meeting the 17th of 3d month 1781 [illegible] directed to the monthly meeting of Nantucket he not making any Stay there.

8 mo 1781 — At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of 8th month 1781. The Representatives [illegible] Russell and Jonathan Hart Present.

There being a Committee appointed by the Quarterly meeting to Confer with this meeting on account of Dartmouth Monthly meeting being Joyned to Sandwich Quarter: therefore we appoint our Friends William Anthony Jur, Thomas Hicks, Samuel Smith, Caleb Russell, William Mosher, Seth Russell and Benjamin Smith, to Confer with said Committee with all other friends that have a desire to meet on that Conference and they to report next monthly meeting.

This meeting adjourns to the 27th Instant after the meeting of Worship.

Held by Adjournment the 27th of the 8th month 1781.

The Friends continued in the Case of Jonas Slocum report that they had another Conference with him and not being fully Satisfied it is referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as before and then they to report.

Likewise the friends appointed in the case of Joseph Wing report Still gives a degree of Satisfaction therefore it is referred to next monthly meeting and the Same friends to take the care thereof and then to report.

William Russells Paper having been Read according to direction and is returned to this meeting, and is as followeth.

To the Monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth 21st of 5th month 1781

Dear friends Whereas I Some time past through unwatchfulness did so far depart from the principle of Truth and friends as to treat a [illegible] Instrument or [illegible] for the purpose of [illegible] [illegible] Some called [illegible] since doing which I have been favoured to See my great Error therein with its Consequences, for which Error I am Sincerely Sorry for and do Condemn desiring Friends may pass it by so far as to let me remain under their care and that I may be so far favoured to dwell so near the divine principle for the futuer as not to fall into any Such inormity for the future.

William Russell

The Friends appointed to Collect this meetings Books report that they have made Some further progress therein but it not being fully accomplished they are continued therein and desired to make report to this meeting when they have fulfilled the Same.

The friends appointed to confer with David Hart report they have fulfilled their appointment and that

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he did not give them any Satisfaction therefore this meeting disown him from being a member of this meeting and hath Given forth a Testimony of denial against him and the Clerk is desired to Read the same publickly or procure it read in the usual manner and make return next monthly meeting. And Seth Russell is desired to inform said David Hart thereof and that he hath a right of an appeal and he to report next monthly meeting.

David Hart [illegible]

John Williams hath Rendered a Satisfactory reason for his not attending the adjournment of our Last monthly meeting when being a Representative of the Preparative meeting

The friends appointed in the case of Caleb Greenman matter report they have not accomplished their appointment and they have made some progress therein they are therefore continued in that Service as before and to make report next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to advise and assist Benjamin Allen and his brother Jedediah &c Report that they have had a conference with the said brethren but as the Committee request said matter continued, It is therefore Continued to next monthly meeting under the care of said Committee who are then to make Report.

This meeting is Informed that Humphry Howland's Paper hath been Read agreeable to the direction of the monthly meeting: and is as followeth.

To the Monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth

Having been inconsiderately induced to places of horse racing and consented to my mare's running Several times: I also, with others went and partook of the Entertainment of [illegible] at the Tavern after which we went to a house and took undue Liberty, even to musick and dancing all which misconduct of mine I am sorry for and do hereby condemn the same together with the wearing Such apparel as is not approved among friends and I desire friends so far to pass by my unwarrantable behaviour in these and all other respects as to Suffer me still to remain under their care

Dated in Dartmouth
the 14th of 2d month 1781.
From your friend Humphry Howland.

The Women Friends Inform they have denied [illegible] Beard daughter of John Beard which this meeting concurs with.

[illegible] denied.

It hath been proposed to make an additional Choice of Trustees to hold the Title of the meeting house land at New Town: therefore Joseph Tucker Junior, Jonathan Hart, Benjamin Howland Jun and William Gifford are appointed for that Service unto whom a Deed or Deeds are ordered to be made: and to hold said Land for the use of Friends till others be appointed in their Stead for that Service

Trustees for [illegible] house property

Gideon Howland hath given in a bill for nursing and tending Alice Smith during her Sickness the last Seven months to keep her over and above the usual allowance allowed by the Overseers of the poor Six dollars £2"8"0

Philip Macomber also gave in an account as allowed by said Overseers for a pair of Shoes 0"9"0 which

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The friends to Sell our wood [illegible] [illegible] which money Delivered to the Treasurer.

This [illegible] 1"4"9

This meeting adjourns to the 5th day of next month after meeting of worship on said day.

Met by adjournment the 5th day of the 9th month 1781. The Representatives [illegible] both present.

[illegible] Allen Russell [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for an Answer. And William Mosher and William Wood are appointed to make the necessary inspection into the said Allen Russells clearness [illegible] and make report to next Monthly meeting.

[illegible] that this meeting [illegible] some [illegible] to this meeting, with some amendment by the direction of the [illegible] meeting which was Read approved and Signed by the Clerk.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 9th month 1781. The Representatives are Stephen Buffinton and William Gifford both present.

The Committee appointed to confer with a Committee [illegible] report that they have [illegible] appointment and think it not best for us to be [illegible] at present which this meeting accepts.

[illegible] was Signed by the Clerk directed to the Quarterly meeting [illegible] of this meeting being [illegible] Signifying that we think it not best under present Circumstances to be [illegible]

The Friends continued in the case of [illegible] Slocum [illegible] to be continued another month [illegible]: and [illegible] another Opportunity of [illegible] Satisfaction [illegible] Testimony [illegible] monthly meeting.

[illegible] The friends appointed in the case of Joseph Wing report that he still gave them a degree of Satisfaction, and that they think it may now be Safe for the meeting to receive him under our Care. Therefore this meeting receives the said Joseph Wing into membership with us and under our Care.

The Clerk informs he hath Read the Testimony of [illegible] denial as directed last monthly meeting, which is as followeth,

Whereas [illegible] having had his Education among us the people Called Quakers, but hath since removed out of the Verge of this Monthly meeting in disorderly manner; and

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frequenting meetings held out of the unity of our Society, and Friends having Laboured with him in much love but it not having the desired Effect Therefore for the clearing of Truth we are concerned to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him the Said David Hart, hereby disowning him from being any Longer a member of our Society. Nevertheless it is our desire that he may come to a Sense of his outgoing and return to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth by adjournment the 26th day of the 8th month 1781.

By William Anthony Jur Clerk.

Seth Russell informs he did not inform Said Hart of his Denial and Right of appeal which he is yet desired to do and make report thereof to next monthly meeting.

Cb Shear

The friends appointed in the case of Caleb Shearman report that that they had an opportunity of Solid Conference with him and that he did not give them any Satisfaction: therefore they produced a Testimony of his denial which was read in this meeting and Signed by the Clerk who is directed to read the Same at the close of a first day meeting of Worship between this and next monthly meeting. And Joseph Tucker Jur is desired to inform Said Shearman of his denial and Right of appeal and report to next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Allen Russells Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation, report that they do not find any thing Sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Allen Russell and Abigail Allen appearing in this meeting for their Answer: Which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage at Some convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the Friends this meeting Shall appoint to See their marriage orderly Solemnized: And William Mosher and William Wood are appointed to see said marriage orderly Solemnized and make report next monthly meeting.

John Williams requested (by the way of the Preparative meeting) a Certificate to the monthly meeting of Rhode Island Setting forth his Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation Therefore our friends Benjamin Taber and William Anthony Jur are appointed to take the necessary care in that matter: and if they find things clear, to draw one and bring with them to next monthly meeting.

Philip Maccomber Informing by the way of the Preparative meeting That he hath thoughts of moving to the Nine-partners with his family to Live desiring Friends advice therein and a removal Certificate for himself and family if Friends think proper Therefore Elijah Gifford Thomas Hicks and Samuel Smith are appointed to take the necessary Care in that matter and if they find things clear to bring a Removal certificate with them to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed in the case of Benjamin Allen Jedediah Allen and others of their family

9 mo 1781 Report that they have had a further opportunity with them, and that as the matter is difficult they request it continued another month which accordingly continued and Joseph Barker is added to them in that case and they are to act therein as they in the Wisdom of Truth may be directed and make report to next Monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to discontinue all our weekday meetings in the week of the next Quarterly meeting to be held here this yeare. And that our next Preparative meeting be held the 5th of this Instant.

This meeting having received from the meeting for Sufferings Forty of Stephen Crisps Epistles and Forty of Mary Brooks on Silent waiting at nine pence Lawful money per set: to be paid for by those members who choose to have them therefore our friends William Anthony Samuel Nickelson, Henry Smith, Caleb Greene and Timothy Howland are appointed to dispose of sd Books as they see proper and bring the money if ready to the adjournment of this meeting.

The Committee appointed to Sell wood, report that they have Sold five Cords and one Eight, at two dollars per Cord is ten dollars and a Quarter which is paid or sent to the Treasurer.

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This Meeting adjourns to the 26th Instant after the meeting for Worship.

Mett by adjournment the 26th of the 9th month 1781. The Representatives being called both Present.

The Queries have been read and answers thereto read and approved also an Epistle signed by the Clerk all which is ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Elijah Gifford John Devol Samuel Smith and Stephen Buffinton and they to make report next monthly meeting.

Samuel Fuller informs this meeting [illegible] of a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of the Nine-partners Setting forth his being a member in Unity which was Endorsed in this meeting.

In concurrence with the Womens friends Rebe Smiths Certificate from East Hoosuck was Endorsed in this meeting.

The friends that have the disposal of Stephen Crisps Epistles and Mary Brooks on Silent waiting, report that they have disposed of them and sent the money to the meeting for Sufferings.

10 mo. 1781 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 10th month 1781. The Representatives are Henry Smith and Jonathan Potter present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended and produced an Epistle to this meeting: as also a Coppy of an Epistle from the Yearly meeting held in Philadelphia for Pensylvania and New Jersey &c which Epistles

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were Read to Satisfaction.

Jonas Slocum
Denied

The friends continued in the Case of Jonas Slocum report that they have had a Solid Conference with him but he gave them no Satisfaction they then [illegible] produced a Testimony of his denial which was Signed by the clerk who is desired to Read the Same at the close of a first day meeting for Worship between this and next monthly meeting. Said friends also report that they have Informed said Slocum [illegible] would proceed to disown him.

Seth Russell reports that he hath informed David Hart of his Denial according to appointment and his right to an appeal.

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial against Caleb Shearman according to appointment: and Joseph Tucker reports that he hath informed said Shearman of the Same: which is as follows

Whereas Caleb Shearman Son of Philip Shearman: and Hannah his Wife daughter of Jacob Russell deceased: Having had a Right of Membership with us the people called Quakers, but through unwatchfulness and by disregarding the Testimony of Truth in their owne hearts, have so far deviated therefrom, as to fall into the Sin of Fornication which is Evident by their having a Child soon after marriage: And Friends having Laboured with them in Love in order to show them the Evil of their Transgression, and restore them to the way of Truth: but their Labour of Love not having the desired Effect to Friends Satisfaction: Friends are concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against them the said Caleb Shearman and Hannah his Wife, hereby disowning them from being members of our Society and from under the care of this meeting: yet our desire is that they may become truly Sensible of their Transgression and be restored to the way of Truth.

Signed in and on behalf of men and womens monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of 9th month 1781

by William Anthony Jur Clerk
Susanna Smith Clerk.

The Friends appointed to See the marriage of Allen Russell and Abigail Allen orderly Solemnized, report that they attended said marriage and that they did not discover but that it was Solemnized in a good degree Orderly.

The Friends to take the necessary care in inquiring into John Williams Clearness and Certificate to [illegible] Monthly meeting Setting forth the Same, Report, that they have not accomplished it by Reason of Some Obstacle and that therefore they desire another month with an addition to the Committee, it is accordingly Referred and William Mosher John Devol and Joseph Gifford are added to them and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

Philip Mac-
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family cert.

A Removal Certificate was [illegible] to [illegible]ing meeting for Philip Macomber his Wife Susanna and their Children whose names are [illegible], Zacariah, Barnabus, Abraham and Hannah directed to the monthly meeting of Nine partners Setting forth that said Macomber [illegible] Settled to Satisfaction as

10 mo 1781. far as appears, and that he [illegible] lives a Member in Unity as also the Childrens right of membership which Certificate was Signed by the Clerk.

The friends that had the Care of that matter between [illegible] and Benjamin [illegible] report that the difference is mutually Settled between the parties concerned.

William Sanford informed (by the way of the Preparative Meeting) that he thought of going to Nine Partners to see his relations also to make some stay there and desires a few lines from this meeting which this meeting complying with, he being a member in Unity and the Clerk is directed to give him a Copy of this Minute.

Seth Russell informs this meeting that he thinks of going to [illegible] and Nine Partners to see his relations and to attend the Quarterly Meeting at Oblong - this meeting approving thereof - he being a member in Unity and the Clerk is directed to give him a Copy of this minut, and this meeting approves of the Same.

This Meeting taking into consideration the advice of the Quarterly Meeting Committee for visiting the monthly meetings: the Expediency of Settling up another Preparative Meeting in this monthly meeting - therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, William Mosher, Benjamin Taber, William Anthony Jr, Samuel Smith, Thomas Hicks, Stephen Buffington, Joseph Barker, Joseph Gifford, Seth [illegible] Henry Smith and [illegible] a Committee and to view the circumstances and to take the Same into their consideration and if they find it proper that [illegible], that they discuss the business and make report to next monthly meeting. And any other concerned friends may Joine the Said Committee therein if they see proper.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 11th month 1781. The Representatives are John Devol and Henry Smith Present.

The Clerk Informs this meeting that he hath the Testimony of denial against [illegible] Slocum as directed last monthly meeting. Which is as follows.

Whereas [illegible] Slocum having had his Education among Friends but through unwatchfulness and neglect hath so far departed from his Education and our Christian Profession as to fall into the Sin of Fornication as appears by the declaration of [illegible] that he was the father of her child, and friends having laboured with him on account of his Crime in order to discover to him the Evil thereof but our Labour therein not obtaining the desired end or effect to friends Satisfaction; Therefore for the clearing our Name and Truth from the reproach thereof, this meeting doth give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him and do deny him the said [illegible] Slocum from being in membership with us until by sincere repentance he Shall be restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth 15th of the 10th month 1781

by William Anthony Jr Clerk.

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The Committee appointed to take into consideration and inspection the Expediency of dividing our Preparitive meeting report "that by reason of so many and so great weaknesses prevailing among us perticurly the want of a true discipline being kept up in friends families, the want of unity in some places, and other defects, etc, that it is their opinion that the matter be continued under their care for further trial" it is accordingly continued under the care of the said Committee who are desired to inspect and Labour in and on those defects and make report to next monthly meeting.

Joseph Wing request a few lines from this to Accoaxet monthly meeting Setting forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage and Conversation: therefore we appoint Elihu Gifford and Chilton Wood to take the necessary care in that matter and if they find things clear to draught a certificate and bring one to next monthly meeting.

John Allen (son of Jonathan) request a removal certificate to the monthly meeting of [illegible] he expects to remove there with his parents a while therefore William Gifford and Jonathan Hart are appointed to take take the necessary care in that matter and if they find things clear to draught and bring one to next monthly meeting.

Gideon Freeborn desires a Copy of a Minuit Setting forth his right of membership here: directed to the monthly meeting of East Hoosuck he being about to take a journey there on business, which this meeting approves he being a member of this meeting, and the Clerk is directed to give him a Copy thereof.

Received a Removal Certificate for David Shepherd and David Shepherd Jun from the monthly meeting of Smithfield their wives and Children which Childrens names are Isaac, Deborah, Gideon, Allen, Elisabeth and Lydia. David Shepherd Jun his childrens names are Thomas, Reliance and John.

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James Barker attended this meeting and produced a certificate from the monthly meeting at East Hoosuck setting forth his right of membership and their unity of his Visiting his relations on which certificate was Endorsed was Endorsed his attending this meeting to a degree of Satisfaction.

The Women friends Inform they have admitted Patient Austin wife of Joseph Austin into membership: which this meeting concurs with.

Patient Austin
[illegible]

The Committee appointed to take the necessary care in the Case of John Williams request for a Certificate to Rhode Island monthly meeting, Setting forth his Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation, Report, That they find things clear in that case; provided said John would acknowledge his misconduct (in this meeting) toward a young Woman he formerly kept company with: and he appearing in this meeting and acknowledging and condemning the Same, desiring Friends to pass it by. And this meeting accepts the Same for Satisfaction. Whereupon a certificate was prepared and Signed by the Clerk directed to

11 mo 1781 to Monthly meeting of [illegible] in his behalf Setting forth his clearness respecting marriage and Conversation.

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12 mo 1781 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of 12th month 1781. The Representatives Stephen Buffinton and Barnabas Russell both present.

A Certificate in behalf of Joseph Wing directed to the monthly meeting at Accoaxet Setting forth his clearness respecting marriage and Conversation [illegible] signed by the Clerk.

[illegible] A Certificate in behalf of John Allen son of Jonathan directed to the monthly meeting of [illegible] setting forth his being a member of this meeting, [illegible] respecting marriage and [illegible] & his conduct [illegible] in this meeting [illegible] signed by the Clerk.

The Queries were read in this meeting and Answers thereto [illegible] the Epistle to the next Quarterly meeting [illegible] signed by the Clerk; [illegible] to attend said Quarterly meeting [illegible] the Epistle [illegible] Quarterly meeting.

Micajah Wilcox Informing this meeting [illegible] going to see his Relations, and make some stay there; [illegible] this meeting approving of the same [illegible] to give a Copy of this minute.

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This meeting adjourns to the 26th Instant after the meeting for Worship.

Held by adjournment the 26th of 12th month 1781. The Representatives [illegible] both present.

The Committee appointed to inquire into the expediency of [illegible] our Preparative meeting [illegible] report that they have made some progress therein and desire said matter continued; it is therefore referred to next monthly meeting [illegible]

This meeting [illegible] David Shepherd & Henry Smith to inquire [illegible] with said Johnson for the above matter [illegible] and report next monthly meeting.

This meeting adjourns to the 6th day of next month after the meeting for Worship.

Held by adjournment the 6th day of the 1st month 1782. The Representatives being called neither of them present.

The Committee appointed some time past [illegible] made Report that they have

12 mo 1781. [illegible] Sufferings [illegible] some time since the account sent being read in this meeting was approved and ordered to be signed by the Clerk and sent up to the meeting of Sufferings and a copy thereof kept on file.

1 mo 1782 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of 1st month 1782. The Representatives are Latham Wood and William Gifford, present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended that meeting and brought from thence an Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting - a Manuscript of last Yearly Meetings Epistle - copying of two minutes of the Meeting for Sufferings, and an Epistle from New York all which were read in this meeting & well accepted: and in the Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting and New York and one of the minutes from the Meeting for Sufferings; we received discouragement to the practice of Dancing which some members of Society have applied themselves and are concerned the Truth may be brought reproach on them in the breach of Peace Order and Decency as is therein pointed out. This meeting feeling a concern to make enquiry and guard & preserve our fellow members from the Consequences of these things; do appoint William Anthony Jun. William Wood John Russell William Gifford and James Davis a Committee to make the necessary enquiry in the compass of this monthly meeting respecting those things, and to Labour therein as they in Truths wisdom may be directed and to make report next monthly meeting.

The committee to enquire into the Expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting and to Labour to remove some objects [illegible] that they have made some progress therein, [illegible] it is agreed [illegible] monthly meeting under their care and they then to make report.

The Friends appointed to enquire into and Labour with James Johnson on his unbecoming Conversation, Report, that they have taken the necessary care in that matter, and that he acknowledges his misconduct, and is willing to make Friends Satisfaction, and that they think it best to be continued under the care of a Committee till fully accomplished: therefore this meeting doth continue the same under the care of the same Friends, who are to make report of their doings therein to next Monthly meeting.

This meeting adjourns to the 30th instant after the meeting for Worship.

Met by adjournment the 30th of 1st month 1782. The Representatives being called both present.

There being [illegible] meeting advice and recommended from the Yearly and Quarterly Meetings they are referred to the consideration of next Monthly meeting, on account of the small number of members at this adjournment.

The Committee appointed to collect Friends Sufferings, Report they have collected an additional account since last Monthly meeting, which after being read was approved and ordered to be sent up to the meeting for Sufferings and a copy kept on file.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th day of 2d month, 1782. [illegible]
[illegible] both present.

Visit of
[illegible]

Our Esteemed Friend William Jackson attended this meeting with a Certificate from New Garden Monthly meeting in Chester County in Pensylvania dated the 10th of 1st month 1781, also a few lines from the same monthly meeting dated 3rd of 2nd month 1782 which were Read in this meeting to Satisfaction and his Visit and Labour of Love acceptable to us.

The Committee [illegible] last monthly meeting to make inquiry and inspection [illegible] our [illegible] in the Epistle from New York to the [illegible] meeting and in a minute of the meeting for Sufferings, Report, as here annexed.

To the Monthly meeting to be held the 18th of 2d month 1782.

According to appointment; [illegible] tioned and advised endeavoring to Set forth the tendency of such [illegible]: and as nothing appearing [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
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This meeting concludes to continue said Committee in the further care of that matter and make report of their progress therein to next monthly meeting.

The [illegible] accomplished desire th continued it is therefore continued under their further care and progress who are to make report thereof to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to Labour with [illegible] had wronged him and on that account desiring the matter deferred, this meeting [illegible] to Labour [illegible] conduct and they to make report of their progress therein next monthly meeting.

Bennet Win[illegible]
[illegible] Rhoda
[illegible]
Intentions.

Bennet Wing Informs this meeting that he intends Marriage with Rhoda Richardson daughter of William Richardson [illegible] monthly meeting [illegible] also hath Consent of Parents in writing.

George [illegible] informs this meeting he intends marriage with Rebeckah [illegible], and produced a few lines

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Geo Folger
and R Shove

from the Friends of Nantucket monthly meeting setting forth that they find nothing to hinder his marrying in their care on that account, at their next monthly meeting and that they were appointed by the meeting for that purpose. Said George also produced a consent of Parents in writeing.

[illegible] and [illegible] Richardson appeared in this meeting and declared their intentions of taking Each other in marriage, as also George Folger and Rebeckah Shove who are desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answers.

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This Meeting Received a Coppy of a minute of the meeting for Sufferings containing an extract from an Epistle from Philadelphia respecting the Bible, Which Friends [illegible] Expressing that there is no way yet opened for procuring them to their satisfaction, and this minute were read in this meeting.

This Meeting is adjourned till tomorrow at the 11th hour.

Met by adjournment the 19th day of the 2d month 1782. The Representatives being called both Present.

The matter referred from last Quarterly meeting to us in regard to our Endeavouring to remove the Obstacles that hinders the fitness of our being Annexed to Sandwich Quarter; was taken into weighty consideration in this meeting: and we are very desirous to [illegible] labour to remove the above deficiencies as Truth opens the way; and as there is a large Committee under appointment by this meeting, in order to remove these defects [illegible] This matter is referred to next monthly meeting under their care.

The Women Friends inform that there is a Difficult matter Subsisting among them and desire the assistance of this meeting, therefore we appoint our friends William Wood, James Davis, Benjamin Slocum, [illegible], [illegible] Russell, [illegible] Gifford [illegible] Slocum, Benjamin Shaw and [illegible] Gifford to advise and assist the Women Friends as Truth opens the way.

The Committee Appointed some time past to Collect this meetings books report, that they want some addition as there is one absent therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker Junor Elijah Gifford and Benjamin Howland 2d to Joine with the former Committee and accomplish that matter and to Settle with Caleb Russell in behalf of this meeting as said Caleb took some books to dispose of for this meeting

The Overseers of the poor handed in an account to this meeting from Hannah Smith for keeping Alice Smith 35 weeks to the amount of £10"10"0 Lawful mony, which being accepted The Treasurer is ordered to pay the Same when he is Supplied with mony from this meeting.

Henry How-
land &c
[illegible]

This meeting Signed a Removal Certificate for Henry Howland and Abigail his Wife, and Prince and Benjah Howland their young Children directed to the monthly meeting of Acoaksett they being removed there to live.

2 mo 1782. Jeremiah Smith attended this meeting with a Coppy of a minute of the Monthly meeting held at Saratoga the 11th of 1st month 1782 which was to Satisfaction. The said minute being Endorsed in this meeting to the Same purpose and Signed.

3 mo 1782 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of 3rd month 1782. The Representatives are William Wood and Thomas Russell both present

The Committee to make Enquiry if there be any Such conduct in any of our members as describ'd in the Epistle from the North to the Quarterly meeting and minute from the meeting for Sufferings Report that they have made some further inspection and find nothing different from that report last monthly meeting, that matter is therefore continued under the care of the same Friends who are to report of their progress therein to next monthly meeting.

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our preparative meeting and to Labour in removing Such defects as they find among us Report, that they have been in a further progress in those things and that it their Judgment that they be continued under of a Committee for a yet further progress in those weighty matters.

The same Committee having that matter in charge respecting this meeting being annexed to Sandwich Quarter, as recommended from the Quarterly meeting, Report, as follows - which is accepted.

We of the Committee unto whom the matter was Refered concerning being annexed to Sandwich Quarter, having taken said matter under consideration, and find those obstacles still remaining which we have been in a Labour to remove, But as that is a work of time, we as a Committee have been under a deep Engagement of mind that this good work may be effected in its proper season in which exercise we have measurably to witness the owning hand and arm of Divine goodness to be with us to our encouragement; but as yet we do not find the way open to be joined to Sandwich Quarter as those obstacles are remaining which is cause of pain and sorrow of mind.

Signed by order and in behalf of said Committee

By Samuel Smith
Deborah Hicks.

The above said Committee are Continued in said Service and to report next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to Labour with James Stanton on his misconduct and to discover his Sincerity in condemning the same report That they have made further progress therein: yet they desire the matter defered to next monthly meeting, which is accordingly under their care they then to make report.

Received a certificate from the monthly meeting of Nantucket in behalf of George Folger setting forth that he is a member of Society and clear of Marriage Entanglements there.

Stephen Barker requests a Certificate

3 mo 1782 to the monthly meeting of Greenwich, setting forth his right of member-ship and [illegible] in a clear manner: therefore Benjamin Gifford Jun and [illegible] are appointed to take the necessary care of that matter and if they find things clear to bring a certificate to next monthly meeting.

At the Request of Timothy Russell for advice from this meeting respecting his [illegible] as Executor: are appointed [illegible] and [illegible] to [illegible] him [illegible]; and Report to next monthly meeting.

George Folger and Rebeckah Shove appearing in this meeting for their answer: as also [illegible] and Rhoda Ricketson which were Each Cupple might proceed to take Each other in Marriage at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting: advising with the Friends thereof which this meeting shall appoint to see their marriages orderly Solemnized and our Friends [illegible] Russell and [illegible] are appointed to the first Cupple and Joseph Gifford the last Cupples marriage orderly Solemnized: and to make report next monthly meeting.

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This meeting is adjourned to the 27th Instant after meeting for Worship.

Met by adjournment the 27th of the 3d month 1782. The Representatives being called both present.

The Friends appointed (at the first sitting of this meeting) to take the necessary care on the request of Stephen Bunker for a Certificate Request an addition to their number in that matter therefore Seth Huddleston and William Mosher are added to them.

The Queries were answered in this meeting and an Epistle signed to the Quarterly meeting are ordered forwarded to the said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives James Davis, Caleb Green, [illegible] and Benjamin [illegible] and they to report to next monthly meeting.

This meeting directs that the Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Draw the Sum of £3.12.0 Out of our Treasury and pay the Same to the Yearly meeting Treasurer in order to Supply the Yearly meeting Stock and report next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed last monthly meeting to assist the Women Friends in a difficult matter Subsisting in their meeting Report that they have rendered their Assistance according to the ability afforded therein, and that matter is Settled as will appear by the records of the Womens meeting.

4 mo 1782. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 4 month 1782. The Representatives are John [illegible] and John Huddleston both Present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended and produced an Epistle from the meeting which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction: As also the Extracts from our last Yearly meeting minutes.

4 mo 1782 This meeting Received 160 Coppys of the last Epistle from the Yearly meeting in London: also the Coppys of the Representation on behalf of Friends, to the President & Council and the Assembly of Pennsylvania [illegible] which were read in this meeting to good satisfaction.

The choice of Overseers being under consideration at this time it is Referd to next monthly meeting for further consideration, as also Overseers of Poor who are continued till others are appointed.

The committee to make inquiry, If there be any such conduct in any of our members, as declared in an Epistle from [illegible] to the Quarterly meeting, report that they have had that matter under Inspection but do not find any thing different from last report: they are therefore continued in that Service, and are desired to make diligent and Impartial Inquiry in those things and make report next monthly meeting.

The committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting and Endeavour to remove the obstacles which hinders such a division make report that they have made further progress in a labour therein and think it best defered another month for further progress: it is accordingly defered under their care who are then to report.

The Same Committee had the matter in [illegible] and made report of their Service [illegible] last monthly meeting: which is [illegible].

The Friends appointed to Labour with James Johnson on his misconduct and Sincerity of Condemning it, Report, that they have not fully accomplished that matter, it is therefore continued under their care and if he doth not give them Satisfaction that they draw a Testimony of his denial and bring to next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care in the request of Stephen [illegible] for a Certificate to Sandwich monthly meeting Seting forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage Report that they have taken the necessary care therein and brought a Certificate with them which was read in this meeting and Signed by the Clerk,

The Friends appointed last monthly meeting to advise [illegible] according to his request in Settling his outward Estate report, that they have advised him therein tho the matter of Settling his Estate is defered for the present.

The friends appointed to see George Folger and Rebecca [illegible] and also [illegible] make Report that they are [illegible] and that they were Solemnised in [illegible].

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting inform that they Received the money ordered last monthly meeting for our monthly meetings Treasurer, to be paid to the yearly meetings Treasurer, and that it was paid to him as directed.

The Women friends informed last monthly

4 mo 1782 meeting that they desire Judith Southworth now ye wife of Jethro Hathaway Jr, which she hath offered being read, & ye this meeting concurs therewith.

Judith Hathaway acknowd.

Joseph Mosher and Elizabeth Briggs Declared their Intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer; said Mosher having produced a certificate from [illegible] monthly meeting [illegible] consent.

Jo. Mosher and E Briggs intention.

Andrew Nicols the 3rd being about to return to live with his father again within South Kingstown monthly meeting, this meeting Endorsed a few lines on the back of his certificate which he brought from said monthly meeting.

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The Committee appointed Some time past to collect this meetings Books, now make report, that they have collected them, as by the list on file, and that they have settled with William Mosher and Recd 0..17..5 of him, and 0..12..0 of Caleb Russell, for Books, which they sold belonging to this meeting said money is paid to the Treasurer.

Jonathan Willbor and Thomas Russell are appointed to have the care of this meeting's Books as aforesaid and to lend them out to whom they may see proper, and to see them returned, and they to remain in that Service till others are appointed when they are to make Report.

Friends conclude to meet tomorrow generally to mend up the Fence round our meeting house.

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This Meeting adjourns to the 24th Instant after the meeting of Worship.

Mett by adjournment the 24th of 4 month, 1782. The representatives being called are Present.

The Committee appointed Some time past to collect friends Sufferings have not accomplished that part of the business in compleating their account of Friends Sufferings as to present it to this meeting, and desire the meeting to adjourn.

Jos Rotch cert [illegible]

Received a Removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Nantucket on behalf of Joseph Rotch who hath removed in the compass of this meeting to live.

This meeting adjourns to the 8th of next month after the meeting for Worship.

Mett by adjournment ye 8th of the 5th month 1782. The representatives are Seth Russell present and John Devall not Present, for which he hath rendered no excuse.

The Committee to collect accounts of Friends Sufferings having Collected those accounts that were returned from the meeting of Sufferings, which after being Read were approved and sent up to the meeting for Sufferings.

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At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 20th of 5th mo. 1782 The representatives are Jonathan Willbor and Prince Potter present.

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The appointing Overseers being again under Consideration it is refered to next monthly meeting; as also Overseers of the poor.

On the [illegible] [illegible] for the assistance of this meeting in a difficult Case Subsisting in that meeting; [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], James Davis, Caleb [illegible], [illegible] Huddleston and [illegible] [illegible] are appointed for that purpose and to report to next monthly meeting.

John Parker requests a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of [illegible] Setting forth his Clearness respecting marriage and conversation: Therefore [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] are appointed to take necessary care in that matter and if they find things clear to draw a Certificate and bring to next monthly meeting.

The Committee to make enquiry if there be any Such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as mentioned in an Epistle from New York to the meeting for Sufferings, report that they have laboured and advised where they have Suspected Such conduct; they are continued in that Service and Benjamin [illegible] is added to them; and they are desired to make further inspection and labour in those things; and make report next monthly meeting.

The Committee to Inquire into the Expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting, and to endeavour to remove Such obstacles as hinder Such a division: Report, that they have continued their labour therein, and that it be again another month; which is accordingly under their care and they are to make report.

The Friends appointed to Labour with James [illegible] on his misconduct, and to discover his Sincerity in condemning it report that they have laboured further with him; yet they they are continued in that Service, who are desired to extend their further care in that matter, and if he on their labour with him doth not give them Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of his denial and bring to next monthly meeting: informing him thereof; or otherwise to make report accordingly.

Joseph Mosher and Elizabeth Grigg appeared in this meeting for their Answer; and their answer was; We do not find any thing to hinder their proceeding in marriage, and that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage at Some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting - advising with the Friends this meeting Shall appoint to see said marriage orderly Solemnized which friends are Benjamin Smith 2d and William Anthony Jur who are to report next monthly meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] produced the copy of the minute of this meeting of ye 10th month last: with an Endorsement from the Monthly meeting of [illegible], that he attended that meeting to Satisfaction.

William Parker gave in an account of Hay and [illegible] for this meeting amounting to 1 " 7 " 6 which the Treasurer is directed to pay.

Collected 1 " 3 " 11.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th of 6th Month, 1782. Jonathan Wilbor is appointed Clerk for this day. Representatives are Peleg Gifford Joseph Barker Seth Huddleston and Benjamin Howland 2d all present.

A Certificate for John Barker, to the Monthly meeting at [illegible] Setting forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk.

Samuel Smith informs this meeting that he is about to take a Voyage to Sea and he requesting our Certificate Setting forth his right of membership: therefore we appoint our friends Joseph Tucker 2d Caleb Gifford Thomas Russell and Jonathan Wilbor to inspect the circumstances of the vessel and voyage, and if they find things clear, to prepare a Certificate and bring it to the next Concurrence of this meeting if so Samuel doth not want it before, if he doth the Committee may Sign in behalf of said meeting.

This Meeting Adjourns to the 24th of this instant,

Mett by Adjournment this 24th of 6th month 1782. The Representatives are Peleg Gifford, Joseph Barker, Seth Huddleston and Benjamin Howland 2d all present.

The Choice of Overseers coming again under the notice of this meeting It is referred to next Monthly meeting for a choice of them: as also Overseers of the Poor.

The Friends appointed to visit the Women as their request last monthly meeting; Report, that they have visited in the ability afforded.

The Committee to make further enquiry, if there be any Such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as described in an Epistle from New York to the meeting for Sufferings; Report that they have made further inquiry, and where such conduct was Suspected, have given such advice as they were enabled to; yet that matter continued under their further care who are to report to next monthly meeting.

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting, and labour to remove such Obstacles as hinder such a division, Report, that they have continued their labour therein; yet desire the matter continued another month; it is accordingly deferred under the care of the Same Committee to next monthly meeting they then to report.

The Friends appointed in the case of James Johnson's misconduct Report that they have not accomplished that matter, as one of the Committee was Sick, and they request it may be deferred, till next monthly meeting under their care, and Stephen Buffinton and William Gifford are added to them who are desired to extend their care in that matter so as to accomplish it before next monthly meeting and then to make report.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Joseph Mosher and Elisabeth Briggs, Report that they attended said marriage and that they did not find but it was

6mo 1782 in some good degree orderly Solemnized.

The Women friends requesting to this meeting to assist them in Labouring to remove defects respecting Plainness, and other defects, Which this meeting taking into serious consideration do appoint [illegible] [illegible] Gifford and Caleb Greene a Committee to joine the Women in that Service in removing those defects so prevalent among the youth and others and make report to next monthly meeting.

Elizabeth Mosher Remov'd A Certificate being prepared in behalf of Elizabeth Mosher Wife of Joseph Mosher setting forth her right of membership directed to the monthly meeting of [illegible] was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk.

£ s. d.
Collected . " 9 " 10½

This meeting adjourns to the 26th instant after the meeting for Worship.

Mett by adjournment the 26th of 6th month 1782. The Representatives being called are Peleg Gifford, Joseph Tucker, Seth Russell and Benjamin Howland [illegible] present.

Caleb Greene being Assistant is appointed Clerk for this day.

A Certificate was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk in behalf of Samuel Smith Setting forth his right of Membership directed to whom it may concern; he being about to take a voyage to Sea.

The Overseers Inform (by way of the Preparative meeting) that Giles Slocum Jur and Caleb Anthony did some time past fall into a bodily Strife, so far that some blows were given for which they have been laboured with by said Overseers, but they did not find them disposed to give friends Satisfaction: Therefore Daniel Ricketson, Prince Potter and Jonathan Willbor are appointed to take an opportunity of Solid conference with the young men and if they do not find Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of their denial and bring it to next monthly meeting and if otherwise to make report accordingly.

This meeting receiving the following request from Sandwich monthly meeting, viz,

From our Monthly meeting of Friends held at Rochester for Sandwich the 1st day of the 6 month 1782.

To the Monthly meeting of Dartmouth

Philip Howland having had a right of membership with us, and served an apprenticeship in the verge of our meeting, Since which we have been informed he has deviated from our religious principles, by being in sailing in a vessel armed in a warlike manner - which misconduct we now desire you will labour with him for, as Truth and our discipline may direct - with our Salutation of love we conclude your Friends and Brethren.

Signed in and on behalf of said meeting
by Richard Delano Clerk.

Therefore our Friends Joseph Tucker Jun and James Davis are appointed to labour with the said Philip Howland on his said misconduct and if he doth not give them Satisfaction to prepare a Testimony of his denial and bring it with them to next monthly meeting.

6 mo 1782. The Queries were read and answers thereto read, and after some amendment were approved, and sent up to the Quarterly meeting with an Epistle which was also read and signed by the clerk and sent up by our Representatives, who are Samuel Smith, Jonathan [illegible] jr, Micajah Wilcox and Thomas Russell and they to make report next monthly meeting.

7 mo 1782. At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 15th of 7th month 1782. The representatives are [illegible] & Union [illegible] present.

Overseers appointed. The Choice of Overseers being referred from last monthly meeting to this, thereupon James Davis, Joseph Tucker, Caleb Greene, Seth Huddleston & Caleb Russell are appointed and to further choice referred to next monthly meeting.

The Choice of Overseers of the Poor being also referred to this meeting Seth Russell, Jonathan Willbor, John [illegible], Thomas Russell, [illegible] and [illegible] are appointed to that Service the year ensuing.

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting and to labour to remove such obstacles which hinder such a division Report, that they have continued their labour therein, yet desire the matter referred another month; it is accordingly again under the care of the same Committee to next monthly meeting they then to make report.

The Committee to make further inquiry and discovery if there is any such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as described in an Epistle from Newport to the meeting for Sufferings with a copy of a minute of that meeting thereon Report, that they endeavoured to discharge themselves in that trust by inspecting, and where any have been suspected, to labour with them as way opened - yet they are continued in that Service and to make report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed in the case of James Johnson's misconduct report, that they have not accomplished that matter, and that it might be referred till next monthly meeting, it is accordingly referred under their care, who are desired to accomplish the same as soon as may be and make report to next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to treat with [illegible] Slocum Jr and Caleb Anthony on their falling into a bodily strife in which blows were given Report, that they have had a solid conference with the young men who gave them a good degree of satisfaction, with a paper condemning their said misconduct; which accepted for satisfaction, provided they cause said paper to be read in a publick manner at the close of a first day meeting of worship before next monthly meeting they being present and make report thereof to that meeting.

£ s. d.
Collected 1..2..8

This meeting adjourns to ye 24th Instant after the meeting of worship.

7mo 1782 Held by adjournment ye 24th of 7th month 1782. Representatives both present.

Philip The Friends appointed to labour with Philip Rowland on his misconduct and if he did not give them Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of his denial, report that they had opportunity with him and he did not give them Satisfaction but [illegible] a Testimony of his denial, which was read and [illegible] signed by the Clerk who is directed to read the same publickly in the usual manner and make report to next monthly meeting. Said committee also report that they informed said Rowland of the conclusion of this meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended said meeting to satisfaction, and produced an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting, also Transcripts of the following Epistles viz. One from our Yearly meeting this year
One from the Yearly meeting in London last year
One from Pensylvania last year
One from Westbury on Long Island this year.
Also Copy of the Epistle from our last yearly meetings minutes all which were read in this meeting to good satisfaction.

The Committee to Join the Women in labouring to remove some defects respecting Plainness and other defects among us report that they have made some progress therein, as way hath opened, and that they yet feel the weight of that Service. They are therefore continued therein and to make report thereof when ready.

Gideon Wood requesting his Children may be admitted under our care: Thomas Hicks and [illegible] are appointed to join the Women, and to take the necessary care therein and make report to next monthly meeting.

8mo 1782 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 19th of 8th month 1782. The Representatives are [illegible] Wood and Thomas Mott both present.

An additional [illegible] being referred from last monthly meeting to this; and some Friends being [illegible] it is referred to next monthly meeting.

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting and to labour to remove such obstacles as hinder such division, report that they have continued their labour and desire the matter referred another month under the care of the same committee; it is accordingly referred under their care to next monthly meeting they then to make report.

The committee to make farther enquiry and discovery, if there is any such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as mentioned in an Epistle from New York to the meeting for Sufferings, with a Copy of the meeting for Sufferings minute, report nothing different from last monthly meeting they are therefore continued in that Service except James Davis who desiring to be dismissed therefrom on account of other services:

8 mo 1782 he is desirous [illegible] continuing, and [illegible] is appointed therein also with the rest of the Committee are desired to attend through the Service and make report to next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of James Johnson Report that they have not accomplished that matter, he being absent from home it is therefore continued under their care, and are desired to accomplish the same before next monthly meeting if it may be and report to said meeting.

The Clerk informs that [illegible] and other Condemnors have not caused their paper to be read agreeable to last monthly meeting by reason of disappointment they are therefore directed to take necessary care in that matter and report to next monthly meeting.

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of the denial of Philip Howland hath been read as directed last monthly meeting which is as followeth,

Whereas Philip Howland of Dartmouth having had his Education among Friends, and under our care, but hath so far departed from the principles of our profession as to go several Voyages to Sea on board of Vessels Armed in a warlike manner, for which conduct he hath been labored with, but he continuing to justify the same Friends are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society and from under our care. Nevertheless it is our desire that he may come to a Sight and Sense of his outgoing and return to the way of Truth.

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth by adjournment ye 24th of ye 7 month 1782.

Signed in and on behalf of said meeting
by Wm Anthony Jur Clerk

The Friends appointed to join the Women and take the necessary care in Chilon Woods request, make a Satisfactory report, yet that matter is referred to next monthly meeting under their care they then to make report.

Thomas Russell hath brought in an account to this meeting for some repairs of the meeting house, amounting to £2"2"9 which being examined is approved.

This meeting received a copy of a minute from Acoaxet Monthly meeting of 13th of 7th month last signifying that John Gifford son of Abiel Gifford has returned to this meeting.

The Friends Micajah Wilcox, Barnabus Howland, Barnabus Russell, Gideon Anthony, Caleb Greene and Elihu Gifford are appointed to receive such Sums as friends may subscribe in their freedom toward supplying the Yearly meeting Stock of £50. and report of the Sum total so Subscribed to next monthly meeting.

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9 mo 1782 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 16th of 9th month 1782. The Representatives are Benjamin Taber & Thomas Russell, Benjamin Taber present; Thomas Russell not present

9 mo 1782 — for which no excuse or Reason being offered.

The additional choice of Overseers being referred to this meeting Benjamin Smith 2d is appointed to that place in addition to those appointed in the 7th month last and a further choice is referred to next monthly meeting. — Benj Smith 2d appd an overseer

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting, and to labour to remove such obstacles which hinder such a division report, that they have been in a labour therein, but that they have not yet [illegible] to satisfaction; therefore desiring the matter continued, they are accordingly continued in that service and to report when ready.

The Committee to make further inquiry if there be any such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as mentioned in an Epistle from the Yearly to the Quarterly meeting; and the copy of the meeting for Sufferings Minutes, Report nothing different from last monthly meeting they are therefore continued in that service and to report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed in the case of James Johnson, Report, that they have not accomplished that matter by reason of his being [illegible]; they therefore desire the matter continued another month; it is accordingly referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends who are desired to accomplish the same by said time and make report thereto.

Report hath been made that [illegible] Slocum Jun and Caleb Anthony's paper was read as directed last Mo. meeting.

The friends appointed to join the Women friends and take the necessary in Chilon Wood's request for his children makes Satisfactory report; therefore this meeting concludes to admit his children whose names are [illegible] into membership with us and under our care. — Chilon Wood's Children rec'd

The Women inform that they have received a removal certificate from Acoaxet monthly meeting in behalf of Mary Wing wife of Joseph Wing. — Mary Wing rec'd by Cert.

This meeting hath received a certificate of information from the monthly meeting of the Oblong, informing Lydia Borden daughter of William Borden [illegible]. — Lydia Borden removed.

This meeting Collected £ 1 s 13 d 8½

This meeting adjourns to the 25th of this Instant after meeting of worship.

Mett by adjournment ye 25th of 9th month 1782 the Representatives being called both present.

Thomas [illegible] rendered Sufficient reason for his not attending at the first sitting of this meeting, which is accepted.

The Overseers inform on the account of the Preparative meeting that Benjamin Smith son of Eleazer hath taken an oath in common form before a magistrate; it is also reported of him that he partakes of Spiritous Liquors to excess,

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that he uses Vulgar and profain Language at times: he also much neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings, for which misconduct labour hath been bestowed for his recovery, yet we appoint our friends William Anthony Jun and Thomas Russell to labour farther with him in said [illegible] and if he will not make Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of his denial and bring to next monthly meeting.

Testimony
Concerning
[illegible]

This meeting gave forth a Testimony Signed by the Clerk concerning our friend [illegible] [illegible] in order to be read up at the Preparative meeting & a Coppy thereof ordered to be kept on file,

The Committee appointed to raise money by way of Subscription to Supply the Yearly meeting Stock report that they raised the Sum of Eight pounds, which is ordered forward to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer by our Representatives.

The Queries were answered and said answers ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Benjamin Taber, Jonathan [illegible], Caleb [illegible] and Benjamin Smith 2d and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

This meeting adjourns to ye 6th day of next month after meeting of worship.

Met by adjournment ye 6th of ye 10th month 1782. The Representatives being called Thomas Russell present Benjamin Taber not present: and Sufficient reason being rendered for his absence.

This meeting taking under Consideration the disadvantage of holding our week-day meeting on that week the Quarterly meeting is held in: therefore we discontinue all our week-day meetings in that week which the Quarterly meeting is held the present year within the compass of this Monthly meeting.

There was an account Signed in this meeting to the Quarterly meeting and ordered forward by our Representatives above named.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 20th of 10th month 1782. The Representatives are Abraham Howland & Prince Potter both present.

Overseers
appointed
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The additional Choice of Overseers being referred to this meeting Benjamin Taber and Joseph Tucker jun were appointed to that place in addition to those who were lately appointed for the year ensuing or till others are appointed in their stead: and they together are desired to Seek for Wisdom to Labour and deal Impartially with all offenders in order that our Testimony may be kept up in the Several branches thereof.

The Committee to make inquiry if there are such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members, as discribed in an Epistle from New York to the Quarterly meeting with a Coppy of the meeting for Sufferings thereon Report that they have been in a further labour therein: yet they are continued in that Service: and are desired to attend closely to that which will enable them to labour

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opportunity with him in their families and Report next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to labour further with Benjamin Smith son of Eliezer on his [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Report that they [illegible] [illegible] opportunity with him, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]: it is accordingly referred until next monthly meeting for them to make Report.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting that was held [illegible] Report they all attended, and produced a Copy of an Epistle from that meeting which was read in this meeting to good Satisfaction: they also returned the Testimony concerning Freeborn Rider, and also concerning Samuel Chase for some amendment.

The Committee appointed to draw Testimonys concerning deceased friends are desired to make necessary amendment and addition in the Testimony concerning Freeborn Rider that was returned from the Quarterly meeting for that purpose and make report to this meeting.

Advice as to making Wills.

The Quarterly meeting (in their last Epistle) among other advices advise that friends be careful to make their Wills without delay as Time waits for none: and some late affecting Instances of Friends removing [illegible]; and being [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] our discipline. And this [illegible] meeting [illegible] appoint a Committee to [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] them [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] therein: upon which our Friends [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] William Rotch jun., William Hussey, & William [illegible] are appointed for that Service, and also to attend to that where friends have wills or no Estate, that have Children under age, Either provide Suitable Gardians that the Children may be brought up and Educated among Friends — Said Committee to make report at our Monthly meeting next preceding next Quarterly meeting.

Jas Johnson denied.

The friends appointed in the case of James Johnson Report that they have taken the necessary care in that matter and have drawn a Testimony against him as follows

Whereas James Johnson hath had a right of membership amongst us the people called Quakers, but by his departing from the Testimony of Truth, by being assisting in fitting of vessels concerned in War; likewise in [illegible] of [illegible] language against the People of Nantucket, and [illegible] that William [illegible] [illegible] and wronged him and when called upon he could not make it out; he hath also been to neglect in attending our Religious meetings: all which misconduct said James hath been laboured with for and our labours of love not having the desired effect; Therefore, for the clearing of Truth and Friends from such Scandalous Conduct, we give this from us a publick Testimony against said James Johnson denying of him from being one in unity and from being in membership with us the aforesaid people: yet with desires he may be so far favoured as to have a sight and sense of his misconduct and return to the way of well doing and find forgiveness with the Almighty.

Signed in and on behalf of our said Monthly meeting held

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in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 10th month Ano. 1782.

By William Anthony Jun Clerk.

Which was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is directed to cause the same to be read publickly at the close of a first day Meeting for Worship before next Monthly meeting and Report to said meeting, and William Barker is appointed to Inform said [illegible] of his denial and make report to this meeting.

This meeting concludes to discontinue all our weekday meetings within the compass of our monthly meeting, in that week the Quarterly meeting may be held here in future and that whenever our Preparative meeting happens to fall in that week that the same be held on the 4th day of the next week before.

Wm Barker Jun and Debrah Shearman intentions.

William Barker Jun and Deborah Shearman Informed this meeting of their Intentions to take each other in marriage they were directed to wait till next Monthly meeting for their answer, whereupon Peleg Gifford and William Sanford are desired to take the necessary care and Enquire into the said Williams clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make report to next Monthly meeting.

John Shepherd Junr being about to go to Oblong to make some stay there, desires this meeting's concurrence therein this meeting taking it into consideration approves thereof he having a right of membership among us: and the Clerk is directed to give him a copy of this minute.

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This meeting directs the Treasurer to pay [illegible] Twenty four Shillings which he disbursed for [illegible] and Report to this meeting.

This meeting Adjourns to the 30th of this Instant after meeting for Worship.

Met by adjournment ye 30th of ye 10th month 1782. The Representatives being called: Prince Potter present, Abraham Tucker absent for which some reason being rendered.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 18th of 11th month 1782. The Representatives are John Devol and Benjamin Rider both present.

Jos Austin [illegible] certif

This meeting Received a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of South Kingstown, in behalf of Joseph Austin Son of Jeremiah Austin, signifying his right of membership, and recomending to the care of this meeting; which is accepted.

The Committee to make enquiry if there is any of our members active or concerned in any Contraband Trade &c. Report nothing discovered since last Monthly meeting they are therefore Continued in that service except Benjamin Rider who is dismissed therefrom on account of other Services, and they are desired to make diligent enquiry and labour as they see occasion and make report to next Monthly meeting.

The Clerk reports the Testimony of [illegible]

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of [illegible] have [illegible] by [illegible].

The Friends appointed to draw Testimonies of denial against John Howland son of John Howland, and Benjamin Allen Son of Philip Allen deceased and brought them accordingly, Signed and drawn [illegible] which was read and [illegible] approved — Said Testimonies are as followeth;

Whereas John Howland son of John Howland deceased having had a right of membership among us the people called Quakers, but he through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Testimony of Truth in his own heart hath so far deviated therefrom as to fall into the Sin of Fornication which is evident by his having a child born after marriage, also married out of the Unity of friends: and friends having laboured with him in love in order to shew him the evil thereof, but not receiving any real satisfaction: therefore friends are concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against him the said John Howland hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society, yet our desire is that he may become truly sensible of his transgression and be restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and by order of our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 18th of 11th month 1782

by Wm Anthony Jun Clerk.

Whereas Benjamin Allen son of Philip Allen deceased having had a right of membership with us the people called Quakers, but through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Testimony of Truth in his own heart, hath so far deviated therefrom as to fall into the Sin of Fornication, which is evident by his having a child born after marriage, also married out of Unity of friends and Friends having laboured with him in love in order to shew him the Evil thereof, but not receiving any real Satisfaction; therefore Friends are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said Benjamin Allen hereby disowning him from being under the membership of our Society, yet our desire is that he may become truly sensible of his Transgression and be restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and by order of our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth this 18th of 11th month 1782

by Wm Anthony Jun Clerk.

Which are Signed in this meeting by the Clerk, who is directed to read said Testimonies publickly at the close of a first day Meeting for Worship before next Monthly Meeting and make report.

Abraham Anthony and Letitia Smith int. 1st

Abraham Anthony son of Philip deceased and Letitia Smith daughter of Benjamin Smith, Informed this Meeting of their Intentions to take Each other in Marriage, said Abraham having produced a certificate from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting, Setting forth that he is a member of that Meeting, and Clear of Marriage Entanglements he also produced Consent of parents in writing: upon which they were directed to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer.

Anna Gifford [illegible]

A Certificate was Signed in this Meeting by the Clerk, in behalf of our friend Anne Gifford Setting forth that she is a member in Unity with us, and that her publick Testimony

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is acceptable among us: Which was directed to [illegible] monthly meeting, she being about to make a Visit within the Limmits of that meeting.

John Williams Informs that he hath thoughts of removing to Rhode Island, desiring Friends advice therein; whereupon we appoint Caleb Russell Benjamin Taber and Caleb Green to advise with him therein, and Report to next monthly meeting.

Collected £ s. d. 1..11..3½

This meeting adjorns to ye 4th of next month at ye close of meeting for woship.

Mett by adjournment ye 4th of 12th month 1782. The Representatives being called both present.

Benja Smith 3d denied. The Committee appointed in the case of Benjamin Smith 3d Report they have had a conference with him, but he gave them no Satisfaction; therefore they have produced a draft of a Testimony of denial against him which was Signed by the Clerk and is directed to be read and published at the close of a first day meeting for Worship and made report next monthly meeting. and Thomas Russell is appointed to Inform him thereof and make report next monthly meeting. Said Testimony is as followeth.

Whereas Benjamin Smith son of Eleazer having had a right of Membership among us the people called Quaker, but through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Testimony of Truth in his own heart have so far deviated from our Religious Principles as to take an Oath in common Form before a Magistrate and much neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings and friends having laboured with him in love, in order to shew him the Evil thereof; but not receiving any real Satisfaction we concluded to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him the said Benjamin Smith hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society, yet our desire is that he may become truly Sencible of his misconduct and be restored to the way of Truth, and by a Sencear acknowledgement return to the Unity of his Friends again.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth by adjournment ye 4th of 12th month 1782
by William Anthony Jun Clerk.

William Sanford and Peleg Gifford report they have made the necessary enquiry in regard to William Barker and find nothing sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage: Therefore William Barker and Deborah [illegible] appeared for their answer; Which was, they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the Friends that this meeting shall appoint to oversee same, who are our friends William Sanford and Peleg Gifford and they to make report next Monthly meeting.

Geo Smith 2d and Mary Smith [illegible] George Smith 2d and Mary Smith (daughter of Humphrey) declared their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer. and our friends [illegible] Wood and

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William Anthony Jun are appointed to Enquire into the young man's clearness in respect to marriage and conversation and make report next monthly meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] Weaver [illegible]

The Women Friends Inform they have received into membership [illegible] Weaver [illegible].

Benjamin Shearman hath given in an accompt for carting Hay for this meeting to the Sum of 18 shillings which is accepted and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same, and make Report next monthly meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth [illegible] 12th month 1782. The Representatives are [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] Chadwick both present.

The Committee to make enquiry if there are any of our members acting or concerned in any Contraband Trade &c Report that they have made [illegible] enquiry and that [illegible] they are therefore continued and desired to have renewed attention to that matter and make report to next Monthly meeting.

The Clerk Informs that the Testimonies of denial against John Rowland son of John Rowland, Benjamin Allen son of Philip Allen and Benjamin Smith 3d have been read as directed last monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to assist with John Williams on his intended removal to Rhode Island, Report that they had taken a Good opportunity with him and after giving him such advice as appeared necessary gave it as their Sense; [illegible] his coming forth [illegible] he asked [illegible] now [illegible] as he could conveniently with his ingage= and the Truth.

Thomas Russell Informs he hath not informed Benjamin Smith 3d of his denial as directed by reason said Benjamin was gone to Sea he is therefore desired to do the same as soon as he has an opportunity and make report thereof.

Wm Allen [illegible]

This meeting received and accepted a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of [illegible] in behalf of William Allen son of Philip Allen deceased, Signifying his right of membership and that he is clear of marriage engagements.

The Friends appointed to oversee the marriage of William Barker and Deborah Shearman Report that they attended said marriage and did not discover but that it was [illegible] orderly [illegible].

The Friends appointed to inspect into the clearness of George Smith respecting marriage report that things are not clear for such a proceeding according to the [illegible] established among us.

Jas Davis [illegible] [illegible]

James Davis Informs that he finds his mind dismissed from the Service of an Overseer and request a dismission from that place, this meeting considering their [illegible] doth dismiss him from that Service.

[illegible] William Anthony and [illegible] Smith

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appearing for their Answer which was, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting, advising with the friends that this meeting shall appoint to oversee the same who are Jonathan Willbor and William Anthony Junr and they to make report next monthly meeting.

Abiel Gifford requesting to be dismissed from the committee for advising the [illegible] meeting on account of other business, this meeting taking the same into consideration doth release him from that committee.

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid Benjamin Shearman 18 Shillings for Candles &c as ordered last monthly meeting   Credited £ s d 0" 18" 0

This meeting adjourns to ye 25th Instant at ye conclusion of meeting of worship.

Mett by adjournment ye 25th of 12th 1782 The Representatives being Called both present.

The Committee appointed to call on Friends and excite them to a Steady active compliance in making their Wills Report that they have made some progress in that matter and that they find a great deficiency amoung us on that account. The Committee is therefore continued in that service and to make Report to the monthly meeting next preceeding the Quarterly meeting in 4th month next.

Esther Potter
[illegible]

A certificate in behalf of Esther Potter daughter of Samuel Potter directed to the monthly meeting of Accoaxet, Signifying her right of membership was signed and sent in concurrence with the women friends.

Our Testimony concerning Gideon Freeborn being returned to this meeting from the Quarterly meeting, with some amendment [illegible] and is again sent up to the Quarterly meeting.

The Queries were answered in this meeting, and an Epistle signed by the Clerk and ordered forward to our next Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, who are Stephen Buffinton, William Mosher, Caleb Greene, Chilon Wood and Joseph Tucker they to make report next Mo. meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of John Potter some time past to make inspection into his Conduct &c Now make report that they have Answered their appointment therein; and that he the said John Potter hath fallen into other misconduct particularly in proceeding in marriage out of the unity of Friends and his wife having a child soon after marriage and they having Treated with him for his said misconduct, and he did not give them Satisfaction, therefore said Committee are continued in said Service and to treat further with him and if he do not give them Satisfaction to draw a paper of denial against him and bring it to next monthly meeting.

1 mo 1783 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 20th of 1st month 1783. The Representatives are Seth Huddleston & Stephen Gifford both present.

The committee to make enquiry if there are any of our members acting or concerned in any continental Trade &c Report that they have made but little progress in that matter since last Monthly meeting and therefore they are continued in that Service, Except Jonathan [illegible] who desired to be dismissed from that Service on account of sickness in his family: he is accordingly dismissed and William [illegible] is added to said committee who are desired to attend diligently to the matter and make report to next Monthly meeting.

Thomas [illegible] informs that he hath informed Benjamin Smith Jr of his denial as directed last Monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the marriage of Abraham [illegible] and [illegible] report that they with the other friend attended the marriage and that it was in some good degree orderly accomplished.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended and produced an Epistle from said meeting together with a coppy of a minute, which were read in this meeting to good satisfaction, and the weighty advices in said Epistle friends are desired to attend to, particularly that to Parents and Children Respecting Marriage.

The Quarterly meeting sends us a coppy of said minute to appoint some suitable friends to assist the Quarterly meetings Committee in visiting those who have held Slaves as well as those that have been freed: We defer appointing them to next Monthly meeting that the matter may be further considered.

The Friends appointed to labour with John Potter particularly in [illegible] Report, that they have had a farther opportunity with him, and that he gave them some encouragement of satisfaction: and friends weightily considering said matter refer it to next Monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before and then they to make Report.

John Williams request a Removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting of [illegible] for himself and Children: Therefore this meeting appoints Benjamin Taber and Seth Russell to take the necessary care in that respect, and to draw [illegible] and report [illegible] to next Monthly meeting.

Stephen Jenkins Request a removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting at [illegible] having a desire to move there to dwell if friends concur therein; Therefore this meeting appoints William [illegible] Stephen [illegible] and [illegible] to draw a Certificate for him if on enquiry they find things clear and make report next Monthly meeting.

Visit of [illegible] Our Friend Robert [illegible] attended this meeting with his Certificate dated East [illegible] ye 12th of ye 12th 1782 and to satisfaction and his Visit and Labour of Love

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of the Gospel was Satisfactory to us and a few lines Endorsed on his Certificate signifying the Same.

Visit of David Anthony

Our Friend David Anthony attended this meeting also in Company with our above said friend, with a few lines from the same Monthly meeting of East Hoosuck, which was read, and his visit was to satisfaction, and an Endorsement made signifying the Same

This Meeting Adjourns to the 29th of this Instant at the close of meeting for Worship.

Met by adjournment the 29th of [illegible] month 1783.

The Overseers inform that Abraham Gifford hath kept company somewhat in a privet manner and married with one out of the unity of Friends and that they have Treated with him on that account but he did not give them any real Satisfaction: therefore, we appoint Thomas Hicks and Chilion Wood to labour with said Abraham and if he doth not give them Satisfaction, they are to draw a Testimony of Denial against him and bring to next Monthly meeting: & report accordingly when ready.

Whereas, upon the report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the clearness of George Smith &c respecting marriage it appeared things were not clear: and since which this meeting is informed he hath proceeded in marriage out of the order of Friends; therefore this meeting appoints Gideon Gifford and Richard Lapham to enquire into the state of the matter and Labour with him as they may see fit; and if they do not find Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of Denial against him, and they to make report as soon as the nature of the case will admit.

Caleb Giff. Denied

The Overseers inform that Caleb Gifford hath kept company with a woman not of our Society, and married out of the unity of Friends, after being precautioned by said Overseers: therefore this meeting disowns the said Caleb Gifford as a member among us, and from under our care as a member of our meeting and William Parker is desired to inform him hereof and make report to next Monthly meeting.

Gideon Anthony informs this meeting that he proposes going to East Hoosuck and Saratoga and expects to tarry some time there as a Visit among his relations with a prospect of doing Some business there, which this meeting concurs with, he being a member and the Clerk is desired to give him a coppy of this minute.

This meeting Received Seventeen Coppies of an address from the Meeting for Sufferings on the Subject of the Yearly meeting School &c which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction, and they are delivered to those friends who have the care of this meetings books to be distributed among friends as they may find proper.

The Overseers of the Poor have rendered

1 mo 1783. an account of agreement with Isaac Russell for keeping Alice Smith on a [illegible] of the Meeting for one year the amount being sixty Silver dollars is ordered to be paid to [illegible] Russell by the Treasurer when ever there is a Sufficiency in Stock for that purpose.

We appoint Samuel Smith Joseph Rickerson and William Anthony Jur to Settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise this meeting minutes in order for their being placed on Record and make Report to next monthly meeting.

2 mo 1783.

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th of 2d month 1783. The Representatives are John Devoll & Benjan Taber both present.

Jno Lawton cert

Received a Certificate from Rhod Island mo. meeting in behalf of John Lawton Son of Isaac Signifying his residence in this monthly meeting and his being a member, and clear of marriage Engagements was read in this meeting to Satisfaction.

The Committee to make enquiry if there are any of our members acting or concerned in any contraband Trade &c: Report, that they have attended somewhat to that matter and made further inquiry therein: Yet they are continued in that Service and are desired to give more attention thereto, and make report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter concerning [illegible] being [illegible], in [illegible] out of the unity of Friends &c desiring the matter may be continued another month; It is accordingly referred under their care till next monthly meeting and Stephen Buffinton is added to them they then to make report.

Com to visit those [illegible]

According to the minute from the Quarterly meeting to appoint some friends to assist their committee [illegible] we appoint [illegible] and William Mosher for that Service and to make report to this meeting as soon as the Circumstances of the matter will admitt.

Stephen Barker Cert

The friends appointed to take the needful care respecting a Removal Certificate for Stephen Barker Report that they have taken the needful care therein and have prepared a Certificate to this meeting directed to the Monthly meeting of Sandwich Signifying his right of membership and that his outward affairs was settled to Satisfaction as far as appears; which was Signed by the Clerk.

E Baker Susanna Mosher [illegible]

Ebenezer Baker and Susana Mosher appeared in this meeting and declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage; and they were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer. Said Ebenezer having produced a certificate from Acoaxet monthly meeting Signifying he was a member and clear of marriage engagements; and consent of parents in writing. Collected 2=10=1

This meeting adjourns to the 11th hour tomorrow.

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1783 Met by Adjournment the 18th of 2d month 1783. The Representatives being called are John Devol & Benja Tucker both Present.

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting a removal certificate for John Williams, having not fully accomplished that matter, they are continued to make the care of the same and report to next monthly meeting.

Abraham
Gifford denied. The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting Abraham Gifford his conduct in keeping company and marrying out of the Unity of Friends Report, that they have taken proper care therein and that it appears he is guilty of the sin of Fornication, from his wife having a child soon after marriage: Therefore the same friends are directed to draw a Testimony of denial against him the said Abraham and inform him thereof, and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to labour with George Smith on account of his disorderly marriage, being called upon; inform that they have not accomplished the same; and it appearing necessary that there be an addition to the Committee, we therefore appoint William Anthony Jun to assist said Committee, who are to Joine the Women friends therein and make report to next monthly meeting.

William Barker, reports he hath informed Caleb Gifford of his denial as directed last monthly meeting.

It appearing that there are Several accounts due from this meeting to a much larger amount than there is money in Stock to discharge the same Therefore our friends Daniel Russell Jun [illegible] Stephen Gifford and Jonathan [illegible] are appointed to apply to friends without delay and take in subscriptions for that purpose and return the Sum so collected to the Treasurer and make report of the Sum to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to Settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise the meetings minutes in order for their being recorded Report as followeth,

We the Subscribers have Settled accounts with the Treasurer this 9th day of the 2d month 1783 and remains in Stock £4..4..9 Lawful money and the meeting's debts (as by accounts allowed) are £14..5..0.

Joseph Tucker Jun
William Anthony Jun.

The Committee appointed in the 6th month last to Joine the Women Friends to remove some defects amoung our youths and others respecting plainness and other defects; make report as followeth,

Report of
Committee
on Delinquent
Members. To the Monthly meeting of Men & Women Friends to be held in Dartmouth the 20th of the first month, 1783.

We your Committee of Men and Women Friends appointed to unite in our endeavours to remove some defects amoung our youths and others respecting Plainness and other defects as Truth might open the way have solidly considered and conferred on that weighty work and service and in that Unity which is in

2 m [illegible] way was opened for a general visit to our [illegible]
1783 therein we have endeavoured to proceed and labour, and have had [illegible] of the [illegible] of Life [illegible] to the [illegible] and others from that Simplicity Truth requires, and which leads to [illegible], not only to those among us but even [illegible] our [illegible] which [illegible] Some also among the youth, with Such we were nearly United, greatly desiring their growth and establishment in the Truth: and that none may sit down and be contented in a State of ease and indifferency [illegible] come up more and more in a lively Zeal for the cause and Testimony of Truth.

We have also to remark, that tho our Service was weighty and laborious yet our Visits seemed generally kindly received.

[illegible] informed of our freedom to sit with us if they were desirous (as was also the case of divers black people) in which we often felt the gathering [illegible] to be near; and a measure of that compulsive love extended which [illegible] may be given.

For further encouragement we may say that we have to experience that Unity still continued amongst us throughout the Visits, with that [illegible] Tho we had many provings and Trials under an experience and Sense of our own weakness, and inability to performe any thing to the Honour of the great Master, or Satisfaction to ourselves without his immediate assistance

[illegible] Martha [illegible]
James Davis Susanna [illegible]
Caleb Greene Joanna [illegible]
Martha Chase

The above Report was accepted; and read in this meeting to Satisfaction.

The increasing concern of this meeting on account of the [illegible] Publications [illegible] and do Sell up those things so contrary to the Tender [illegible] of us therein, and informe them of the [illegible] of this meeting on that account and Report to next monthly meeting.

This meeting is informed from the [illegible] meeting of [illegible] and [illegible] that there is a want

2 mo 1783 Caleb Greene and Mercy Slocum app'd Elders.

of the situation of Friends, [illegible] being recommended to [illegible]: and they [illegible] accordingly, [illegible] the women's friends who have nominated Mercy Slocum also Friends, nominating [illegible] Caleb Greene [illegible] and [illegible] they to join the [illegible] in that matter and they to report to next monthly meeting.

Isaac Kelley companion to Robt. Nesbit [illegible]

Our friend Isaac Kelley [illegible] this meeting with a certificate from ye monthly meeting at East Hoosuck held ye 12th of 12th month 1782 setting forth their unity with his accompanying Robert Nesbit on a religious visit [illegible] whose visit and labours of love being satisfactory to us, we having endorsed thereon setting forth the same.

3 mo 1783

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th of 3rd month 1783. The Representatives are Joseph Tucker Jun. & Wm Gifford both present.

The Committee to make inquiry if there are any of our members setting or concerned in any [illegible] Report they have attended to and made further inquiry into that matter yet it appearing nessecery that friends have diligent attention to it; therefore the said Committee are continued in that service, and to make report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to take the care of the matter respecting John Potter's misconduct in marrying out the unity of friends, Report that they have had an opportunity with him which was somewhat satisfactory: yet they are continued in that service and further care of that matter and to make report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to draw a testimony of Abraham Gifford's denial and inform him thereof produced one as follows

Whereas Abraham Gifford having had his education and birthright among friends, but he through unwatchfulness and disregarding the testimony of truth in his own heart, has so far departed therefrom as to keep company with a young woman not a member of our Religious Society and thereby fell into the sin of fornication, and so married out of unity which sin plainly appears by her having a child so soon after marriage and friends having laboured with him on them accounts but our labour not having had the desired effect to friends satisfaction: therefore for the clearing of truth and friends from such practices we are concerned to give this forth as a publick testimony against the said Abraham disowning him from being a member of our Society.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 17th of 3rd month 1783 and signed by order and in behalf of said meeting

By William Anthony Jun. Clerk.

who is directed also to read the same publickly at the close of a first days meeting for worship between this and next monthly meeting and report thereto.

The friends appointed to apply

3 mo 1783. [illegible] that [illegible] meeting [illegible] report that they have [illegible] to [illegible] who [illegible] Communication of [illegible] in [illegible] from the practice; [illegible] the same Friends are continued to have the [illegible] oversight of that matter.

The Committee appointed [illegible] to consider the [illegible] of [illegible] the Preparative meeting, make the following report, together with the [illegible] of said Committee; [illegible] this meeting [illegible] and the appointing a Committee [illegible] this meeting is referred to next monthly meeting.

Benjamin [illegible] informing that he proposes to go to East Hoosuck and Saratoga & make some tarry there to do some hand labour, this meeting concurring therewith he having a right of membership, the Clerk is directed to give him a copy of this minute.

Ebenezer [illegible] and Susanna [illegible] appearing [illegible] that they might [illegible] to take each other in marriage [illegible] next monthly meeting, [illegible] this meeting [illegible] Jonathan [illegible] & Benjamin [illegible] marriage [illegible] make report [illegible] next monthly meeting.

William [illegible] informed that [illegible] an intention of going to East Hoosuck and Saratoga to make some stay, desiring our concurrence: and Certificate, therefore this meeting appoints William [illegible] and Stephen [illegible] to make due Inspection into the matter and draw a Certificate if they find things clear and bring it to the adjournment of this meeting.

Collected £2" 1" 9½

This meeting is adjourned to the 26th Instant at the close of the meeting for Worship.

Mett by adjournment ye 26th of 3d month 1783. Representatives are Joseph Tucker Jun and William Gifford both present.

The Clerk being absent by reason of [illegible] appointed Clerk for this time.

The matter in respect to John [illegible] Certificate not being fully accomplished by the Committee it is continued under their care for the same service and they to make report next monthly meeting.

The matter in respect to [illegible] not being fully accomplished the Committee [illegible] it is [illegible] continued to next monthly meeting under the same care as before and then they to make report.

The Committee appointed to [illegible] the Elders in regard to making an additional choice of Elders, make report, that they [illegible] and that it was their united opinion that the said choice be deferred some time longer therefore it is continued under their care, and are desired to attend to that [illegible]

3 mo 1783 and to make report to our monthly meeting next preceding our Quarterly meeting in the Seventh month next.

The friends appointed in the case of [illegible] [illegible] have produced a testimony which hath been read approved and signed by ye Clerk.

Susanna Barker rec'd by certif. The Women friends inform that they have received a removal certificate from the monthly meeting of [illegible] for Susanna Barker wife of John Barker; which this meeting concurs with.

The Women friends requesting our assistance in respect to answering a request to them from the women's monthly meeting of [illegible] concerning [illegible]; therefore this meeting appoint William Barker Joseph Barker and Caleb Russell to joyn the women therein and they to report to our next monthly meeting.

The Queries have been read and answers thereto read and after some amendment were approved also an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting was prepared approved and signed by the Clerk and sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, who are Samuel [illegible] Caleb [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] Gifford, and they to make report to our next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to collect money by subscriptions report that they have collected the sum of Nine pounds four shillings £9-4-0 and delivered the same to the Treasurer of this meeting.

4 mo 1783 [illegible]

At a Monthly meeting held in [illegible] [illegible] 4th month 1783. The Representatives are Thomas [illegible] and William Gifford both present.

The Committee to make inquiry if there are any of our members are acting or concerned in any contraband trade; report that they have had a conference on that matter: and from present circumstances request a dismission from that service; and this meeting considering the same dismisses the said Committee accordingly.

The Clerk reports that the Testimony of denial against Abraham Gifford hath been read as directed last monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Ebenezer [illegible] and Susanna Mosher, Report that they attended said marriage; and that they did not discover but that it was orderly Solemnized.

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting John [illegible] misconduct in marrying out of the Unity of Friends &c: Report, that they have had another opportunity with him in which he gave them some satisfaction: yet they are continued in that Service for a further opportunity with him and to make report to next monthly meeting.

The appointing a Committee to succeed the former which reported last monthly meeting to

4 mo 1783 — [illegible] the [illegible] of dividing our Preparative meeting &c, is referred to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to [illegible] the Case respecting [illegible] report that they have not accomplished the matter [illegible] to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith Jun, Report, that they [illegible] and accordingly referred under the same friends care who are to report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to [illegible] the Women friends in [illegible] the request from [illegible] monthly meeting concerning [illegible] report [illegible] to that matter, [illegible] they are therefore continued in that service, to report when ready.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended [illegible] who [illegible] for not attending; also they produced an Epistle from said meeting, which was read to Satisfaction

The friends appointed to join the Quarterly meeting Committee for visiting those who have held Slaves; and those who have been set free, made report in writing, as follows

Report of com to visit former slaveholders — We the Committee appointed in the case of Slaves, have to report that we joined the Quarterly meetings Committee and have visited those who have freed Slaves and those who have been held in that state; and have endeavoured in love and tenderness to Impress their minds with a Sense of Religious duty and [illegible] for a proper & Christian [illegible] in the matter.

Thomas Hicks
The 21st of 4th month 1783. William [illegible]

Said Report is accepted & said friends are dismissed from that Service.

Mason Smith — The Overseers inform that Mason Smith (after being [illegible]) hath sailed in an Armed Vessel or Letter of Marque, which took a Vessel by force of arms; and has since been [illegible] with on that account; but did not seem in any disposition to [illegible] and [illegible]; therefore this meeting appoints [illegible] to [illegible] and report to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] — The Women friends inform that they have received a [illegible] on account [illegible] in behalf of [illegible] Tifford wife of William Tifford which this meeting concurs with

In concurrence with the Women friends a removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk in behalf of [illegible] Anthony wife of Abraham Anthony directed to

4 mo 1783 [illegible] monthly meeting.

The overseers informs that Walter [illegible] hath removed in the compass of Accoakset monthly meeting and also that Henry Howland Son of Henry hath removed in the compass of the Same monthly meeting; without Certificates - and that both of them [illegible] attiring, and [illegible] neglect the attendance of our Religious meetings; Which said overseers laboured with them for but they did not give them Satisfaction: We therefore appoint [illegible] and Thomas [illegible] to take a Solid opportunity and labour further with said Walter and Henry on them accounts; and if they or either of them do not give them Satisfaction to draw a Testimony or Testimonies of their [illegible] and report [illegible] to next monthly meeting.

The Overseers informs that David Chace hath countenanced and allowed of consummating a marriage in his house contrary to the order of friends and that they treated with him and he Justifies the Same therefore we appoint William Anthony Jun William Wood and William Mosher to Labour with him further on that account and report to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] Russell informing of having a journey to New Jersey on business if friends concur therewith; and this meeting concurring he being a member in Unity; & the Clerk is desired to give him a coppy of this minute

Collected £1"2"0

This meeting adjourns to the 30th of this month at the close of meeting of worship.

Mett by adjournment the 30th of 4th month 1783, the Representatives being Called [illegible] & Caleb Barker present.

The meeting for Sufferings having recommended a renewed engagement of friends to be in the way of their duty in Subscribing for the establishing the Yearly meetings School, and in order thereto that the monthly meetings should

× appoint committees to take in Subscriptions the meeting for Sufferings having furnished us with Printed blanks for Subscriptions for them accordingly. Therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker Jun Thomas [illegible] and Caleb Greene for that purpose, who are to make return to the Treasurer of the Yearly meetings School when they have accomplished receiving Subscriptions, and also make report to this meeting of the Sum total so subscribed.

Benjamin Gifford Jun hath given in a paper to this meeting condemning his keeping company with a young woman sometime disorderly &, Resorting some times to places unbecoming those under our profession and Several of the overseers informs that they have treated with Benjamin thereon, who gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, and the meeting taking the Same into consideration doth accept of the Same for Satisfaction.

4 mo 1783 The Friends [illegible] inform that they have received a Letter from the monthly meeting of [illegible] signifying they have taken the necessary care respecting Lydia Brown, formerly Lydia Devol and had denied her, which this meeting concurs with.

Lydia Devol [illegible]

A few lines was produced on John [illegible] [illegible] from Rhode Island; [illegible] signifying of attending our meeting with his certificate [illegible] conduct and [illegible] while among us [illegible] returned to Rhode Island.

5 mo 1783

At a Monthly Meeting [illegible] ye 19th of 5th month 1783. The Representatives are Jonathan Willbor and Prince Potter both present.

The Friends appointed to have the care of the matter respecting John Allen's misconduct in marrying out of the unity of friends &c. report that they have attended to it, and [illegible] satisfaction; but that there some obstruction to the accomplishing the matter, and in order that it may be removed, desires it may be deferred, it is accordingly deferred under their care till next monthly meeting they then to make report.

The appointment [illegible] care the former in the inspection of the expediency of dividing our preparative meeting &c coming again under consideration; it thought best to be omitted for the present.

The friends appointed to have the care respecting John Williams removal certificate, report that they have not accomplished it by reason of some obstruction, which they are desired to endeavour to have removed, that the matter be accomplished and report made to next Monthly Meeting.

Bathsheba Wood [illegible]

The Women friends inform that they have admitted Bathsheba Wood Wife of [illegible] Wood into membership which this meeting concurs with.

The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith 2d report that they have not accomplished that matter and therefore desires it continued it is accordingly deferred under their care; who are to report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of Weston Smith's denyal; produced one, as Follows,

Whereas Weston Smith son of Levi Smith deceased hath been by education amongst us the people called Quakers, but hath so far departed from the religious and Peaceable Principle which we profess, as to sail a Voyage in an Armed Vessel, or Letter of Marque which took a Vessel by force of Armes; previous to going said Voyage he was precautioned by Friends and hath since been treated with on that account, but did not seem disposed to give friends Satisfaction: Therefore for the clearing Truth and Friends from such unwarrantable conduct, we are concerned to give forth this as a publick Testimony against the same, hereby disowning the said Weston Smith from having a

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sight of his misconduct, amending by the people aforesaid, we desire that he may be favoured with a sight and sense of his Error, that he may come to true repentance before God, which that he may is our desire.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of the Monthly meeting of the people aforesaid held in Dartmouth on 19th of 5th month 1783.

By Wm Anthony Jur Clerk.

Which was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is desired to cause the Same to be read publickly at the close of a first meeting for worship between this and next monthly meeting, and make report to the same and Caleb Greene is desired to inform Weston thereof when he returns and make report to this meeting.

The Committee to labour further with Barker Little and Henry Howland (son of Henry) on account of their removal without Certificates and other misconduct report, that have not had an opportunity with Barker, but they had with Henry who did not give them satisfaction and they have brought in a Testimony of his denial and informed him thereof, the Testimony is as follows,

Henry Howland Junr Disowned

Whereas Henry Howland Jur Having had his education amongst Friends, but by unwatchfulness and disregarding the Principle of Truth in his own heart hath removed out of the Compass of our mo. meeting without requesting our Certificate; also uses corrupt language and much neglects the attendance of our religious meetings, all which misconduct friends have laboured with him for, in order to convince him of his Errors; but our labour of love not having the desired effect to our satisfaction; Therefore we are concerned to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him the said Henry Howland, disowning him from being a member of our Society. Nevertheless it is our desire that he may come to a sight and sense of his outgoings and return to the ways of Truth

Given forth and Signed by order and in behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th day of ye 5th month 1783

By Wm Anthony Jur Clerk.

Which was Signed by the Clerk who is directed to cause the same to be red at the close of a first day meeting between this and next monthly meeting and and make report to the Same; and the committee are continued to have the necessary care of that of Barker Little and report to monthly meeting.

Benj Gifford and Rhoda Potter's publisht

Benjamin Gifford and Rhoda Potter declared their Intentions of taking each Other in marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer; and William Wood and William Mosher are appointed to make Enquiry into the man's Clearness respecting marriage and conversation and report to next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to Labour further with David Chase on account of his allowing the accomplishing a marriage in his house out of the Order of Friends, report that they have had an opportunity with him, but he did not

5 mo 1783 give them Satisfaction, yet the matter is refer'd till next monthly meeting for further consideration under the care of the same friends they then to make report.

This meeting is informed that Gideon Sanford has gone to the Ninepartners to make Some Stay with a friend there, and requests a few lines from this meeting signifying his right of membership and the Clerk is ordered to give him a coppy of this minute.

Collected £1..0..5^{d}

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 16th of 6th month 1783. The Representatives are Peleg Gifford Jonathan Willbor and Abiel Gifford, Present. and Caleb Russell not present he attending the yearly meeting.

The Clerk not attending this meeting at this time being gone to the yearly meeting, [illegible] is therefore appointed Clerk for this time.

Cert Chilion Wood requesting (in writting) a removal Certificate for himself and Children, to Saratoga monthly meeting, as he is now gone, and about to remove his family and Settle there. We therefore appoint our friends Abraham Howland and Jonathan Willbor to Joyn the Women friends and take the necessary and timely care of that matter, and if they find things clear to draw a certificate and bring to the adjournment of this meeting.

The minutes of last monthly meeting not being finished, this meeting adjourns to the 23rd instant at the close of a meeting for worship on said day.

The 23d of 6th month Met by adjournment; the Representatives being called, Peleg Gifford Jonathan Willbor Abiel Gifford and Caleb Russell are present.

The Clerk informs that the Testimonies of the denials of Weston Smith and Henry Howland son of Henry have been read as directed last monthly meeting.

One of the Committee appointed to have the care respecting John Williams's Certificate report that it is not yet accomplished and desires there may be another friend appointed to assist them therein as the other is absent. Therefore Joseph Gifford is appointed to assist therein and they to accomplish that matter and report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to inspect into the Business of Benjamin Giffords clearness respecting marriage and conversation report that find nothing to hinder his proceeding.

Benjamin Gifford Jun and [illegible] appeared in this meeting for their answer which is they may proceed to take each other in marriage at some Convenient time between this and next monthly meeting, advising with the friends this meeting appoints to see the marriage orderly accomplished who are William Mosher and William Wood, and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

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A Committee from the Quarterly Meeting attended this meeting at this time, and among other advices advised that this meeting appoint a small committee to confer with the yearly meeting's committee on the subject of annexing this meeting to Greenwich Quarter which is referred to next monthly meeting.

[illegible]

Collected £1„16„2d

This meeting adjourns to the 25th instant at the close of the meeting of Worship.

25th of 6th month 1783 Met by adjournment The Representatives are Peleg Gifford, Jonathan Wilbor, Caleb Russell and Abiel Gifford all present.

The friends who have the care of the matter respecting John Soule's misconduct in marrying out of the unity of Friends report that it is not accomplished and desiring the matter deferred another month; it is accordingly deferred under the same friends care, who are desired to accomplish the same before next monthly meeting and make report to the same.

One of the committee (the other not being present nor knowing why, in his absence,) appointed to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith the second report it is not accomplished therefore it is deferred till next monthly meeting under the same Friends care they then to make report.

The friends appointed to have the care and treat with Reuben Little on account of removing without a Certificate and other misconduct, report that they had an opportunity with him, tho' not fully to satisfaction as desired they are therefore continued to have the care of that matter and make report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to labour further with Daniel Wood on account of his allowing the accomplishing of a marriage in his house out of the order of Friends report that they have had another opportunity with him, but that he did not give them satisfaction so fully as desired yet the matter is deferred till next monthly meeting, they then to make report.

The Women friends inform they have admitted into membership Mary Wood wife of Abraham Wood which this meeting concurs with.

The Women friends inform they have denied Phebe Bowdish daughter of William Bowdish, which this meetin concurs with.

The Overseers inform that Isaac Smith son of Gershom hath sometimes resorted to places where undue liberty is taken, Such as gameing, Musick and Dancing and joining therein and useing profain and unbecoming language, also keeps company with a young woman not of our Society, and much Neglects the attendance of our religious meetings for which misconduct and disorders the said overseers have laboured with him for, but he did not

6 mo 1783. Concern the same to satisfaction; therefore We appoint Elijah Gifford and John [illegible] thereon, and make report to next monthly meeting.

Abraham Wood hath given in a paper to this meeting concerning his misconduct in preparing instruments for War and [illegible] therefore we appoint [illegible] and William [illegible] to take the necessary care of that matter and [illegible] and bring it to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] to that service as an addition to the former [illegible] Truth may require.

The Committee to Joine the Elders in respect of an additional choice of Elders make report that they have [illegible] Solid attention and, to make report to our monthly meeting next proceeding the Quarterly meeting in the 10th month next

[illegible] thereto prepared, and an account to the Quarterly meeting also prepared and signed by the Clerk [illegible] and Elihu Gifford [illegible] the Quarterly meeting.

[illegible] meeting, [illegible] this meeting Taking the same into Consideration [illegible] said Commissioners [illegible] report to next monthly meeting.

One of the friends appointed to have the care of Chilion Woods Certificate report that it is not accomplished, they are therefore continued in care of that matter and to accomplish the same and report to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed some time past to request of those who are in Authority in the Town in [illegible] informed some of them thereof; and the Town having sent a paper to this meeting by the said Committee: which was read in this meeting, [illegible] this meeting taking the same under consideration, do appoint our friends Stephen Buffinton, Thomas Hicks, William Anthony [illegible] Joseph Gifford, Giles Slocum, Elijah Gifford, [illegible] William [illegible] to prepare a draught in answer to said Town's request and bring it to the adjournment of this meeting.

This meeting adjourns to the [illegible]

6 mo 1783 [illegible] at the 9th hour in the morning.

Met by adjournment the 4th of the 7th month 1783 The Representatives called are Caleb Russell, Peleg Gifford, Abiel Gifford and Jonathan Willbor all present.

The Committee appointed to prepare a [illegible] to the [illegible] by us [illegible] reported one and presented to this meeting which was Signed by the Clerk, and [illegible] appoint Samuel Smith Joseph Barker and William Mosher to [illegible] the Same [illegible], and they to keep a copy on file and report to next Monthly Meeting.

7 mo 1783 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 21st of 7th month 1783. The Representatives are Joseph Austin William Wood and Timothy Howland all present.

The Representatives appointed last monthly meeting to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended, and produced an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting, together with extracts from the Last yearly meetings minutes; as also Transcripts of our last meetings Epistle, and one from the yearly meeting of London last year one from the yearly meeting of Philadelphia this [illegible] and one from the yearly meeting held at [illegible] [illegible] which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction.

And our Representatives to next Quarterly meeting are to give information to said meeting, of the Circumstances of recording the yearly meetings Extracts which are to be Recorded in our book of Discipline.

The Friends appointed to have the care of the matter Respecting John [illegible] [illegible], Report, that it is not accomplished, as the [illegible] [illegible] are [illegible], and desire it continued, which is accordingly referred under their care and they are desired to accomplish the Same and report to the adjournment of this meeting.

The Friends appointed to see the marriage of Benjamin Gifford Jur and Rhoda Potter orderly Solemnized, report that they attended said marriage and that it was as far as they discovered orderly Solemnized.

Annexing to Sandwich Quarter [illegible] The appointing a Committee to confer with that of the yearly meeting on the Subject of annexing this meeting to Sandwich Quarter, coming again before this meeting, We appoint William [illegible], Stephen Buffinton, Thomas Hicks, William [illegible] [illegible] Benjamin [illegible], Caleb Russell, Joseph [illegible] Jun and Samuel Smith to that Service who are to report when ready.

Two of the Committee (the other being absent) to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith 2d report that they have made some progress therein, but the Friends Committee [illegible] it continued it is accordingly referred under the Same Friends care who are to report to next Monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to treat further with [illegible] [illegible] respecting his removing without a Certificate

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John Potts Denied. The friends appointed to take [illegible] of the matter respecting John [illegible] misconduct in marrying out of the unity of Friends and other misconduct report that they have laboured with him in order to convince him of his error but have not received satisfaction [illegible] to a Testimony of his denial and inform him thereof and report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to treat further with [illegible] on account of his attending the accomplishing a marriage in the house out of the unity of Friends report that they have laboured further with him in order to convince him of his error; but that he has not given them satisfaction yet the matter is [illegible] the same friends are continued to labour with him not only on that account but on that of his neglecting the attendance of our Religious meetings and report to next monthly meeting.

Eunice Marshal rec'd by Cert. The Women friends inform they have received a certificate from [illegible] in favour of Eunice Marshal, who is in the compass of this meeting which certificate was read in this meeting to Satisfaction.

[illegible] rec'd. The women Friends inform that they with the concurrence of this meeting concluded to receive [illegible] into membership; which we concur with.

This meeting concludes to give David [illegible] a copy of the [illegible] of this meeting [illegible] to give him a [illegible] at the adjournment of this meeting.

Collected £1..0..6½

This meeting adjourns to the [illegible] day in next month at the close of the meeting for Worship.

Mett by adjournment ye 6th of the 8th month 1783. The Representatives being called [illegible] Wood and Timothy Howland all present.

Children [illegible] [illegible] 2. The friends appointed to have the care [illegible] certificate for [illegible] and [illegible], to [illegible] monthly meeting at Jamaica, have produced one [illegible] members, and in a degree of [illegible] which [illegible] amendment was signed by the Clerk.

Isaac Smith Denied. The friends appointed to treat further with Isaac Smith [illegible] that they have [illegible] in that matter according to appointment but have [illegible] him no satisfaction, [illegible] with the concurrence of the Womens meeting to disown the said Isaac Smith from having any right of membership amongst us; and the same friends are desired to draw a Testimony of his denial; and inform him thereof

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and report to next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to prepare a draught of a request to the monthly meeting of Saratoga respecting Abraham [illegible] produced one which after some amendment was signed by the clerk, who is directed to forward the same.

John Williams and family remove

A removal certificate in behalf of John Williams and his [illegible] children, [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] and that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] satisfaction [illegible] to [illegible] monthly meeting was signed by the clerk.

The clerk informing he hath [illegible] [illegible] a copy of the [illegible] of this meeting [illegible].

It appearing necessary to this meeting that all the former Epistles and Proceedings of Friends be collected and they, as well as those which may come in future be preserved on file, We therefore appoint Thomas Hicks, Jonathan [illegible] [illegible] and Samuel Smith to take the necessary care of them; and also of all the papers respecting Friends, and others [illegible] corded, and make report when ready.

The Friends appointed to present an answer to the [illegible] respecting our [illegible] of [illegible] publications being set up at our meeting houses, report they [illegible] attended and [illegible] the same, in consequence of which [illegible] that all publications should be hereafter set up elsewhere.

Committee to visit negligent members

The case of some neglectful members who have [illegible] neglect the attendance of our religious meetings as well as other defects in them and others being renewedly noticed by the meeting, with desire for their [illegible] and better attention to those important duties and to clear ourselves towards them as a meeting: Therefore we do appoint our friends [illegible] Thomas Hicks and [illegible] to join the Women [illegible] such [illegible] as they may find freedom, as as Truth may open the way, and to labour in Love and [illegible] to [illegible] such [illegible] and report when ready.

A certificate on the [illegible] of Obadiah Allen and his wife Phebe were signed by the Clerk: Setting forth their [illegible] to the monthly meeting of Saratoga.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 18th of ye 8th month 1783 The Representatives are John [illegible] Caleb Greene and Caleb Barker [illegible] present.

The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith 2d report that they have had some further care therein but have not accomplished [illegible], and request it deferred; it is deferred accordingly till next monthly meeting they then to make report.

The Friends appointed to treat farther with [illegible] [illegible] respecting his removing without a certificate

8th mo 83 and other [illegible] report that they have attended somewhat to the matter, but have received no satisfaction from Barker, yet the matter is deferred for their accomplishing as by former minute and to make report to next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to draw a Testimony of denial of John Potter and inform him thereof Produced a draught as follows,

Whereas John Potter son of John Potter late of Dartmouth [illegible] and Margrit his wife, having had a right of membership among Friends, but by deviating from the Simplicity of truth and the dictates thereof in his own mind, have fallen into Several disorders particularly, whilst he was under Guardianship he absented himself from his Guardian and fell into Loose company, and kept company with a young woman not of our Society and fell into the Sin of Fornication, and contracted marriage with the said young woman who had a child soon after said marriage, and friends having laboured with him therefor but not receiving satisfaction: Therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends from the Imputation of such reproachful conduct this meeting is concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against the same hereby disowning him the said John Potter from being a member of our religious Society until by an unfeigned repentance he shall be restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and behalf our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th day of ye 8th month 1783

William Anthony Jr [illegible]

Mercy Slocum Clerk for this day.

Which was read and with the concurrence of the women's meeting [illegible] to read the same or procure it to be read publickly at the close of a first day meeting for worship before next monthly meeting and report to the same. The Friends [illegible] that they informed John of his denial.

The Friends appointed to draw a Testimony of the denial of Isaac Smith son of Gershom and inform him thereof report that they have accomplished the Same, said Testimony is as follows.

From our Monthly meeting held at Dartmouth ye 18th of 8th month 1783

Whereas Isaac Smith (son of Gershom Smith) Having had his Education among Friends, but through unwatchfulness hath so far deviated from the Truth [illegible] to resort [illegible] where was Singing and Dancing, and joined himself therein, and [illegible] and hath also kept company with a young woman not of our Society all which misconduct we have been [illegible] and he not having [illegible] Therefore for the clearing of truth we give this forth as a publick Testimony against Such Conduct, and disown him from being any longer a member of our Society, Nevertheless it is our desire that he may be favoured to come to a Sight and sense of his outgoings and return to the way of Truth.

Signed in and on behalf said meeting By Wm Anthony Jun [illegible]

Mercy Slocum Clerk this day

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[illegible] of the monthly meeting being signed in Each meeting by the Clerks and the Clerk is desired to cause the same to be read publickly at the close of a meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting and report be made to the Same. —

David Chase
disowned

The Friends appoint to labour further with David Chase on account of his allowing the accomplishment of a marriage in his house out of the order of friends and on account of his neglecting the attendance of our Religious meetings, Report that they have laboured further with him though not to give them no Satisfaction; therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends from such disorders, Joined with the concurrence of the Womens meeting do disown the said David Chase from being any longer of our [illegible]: and John Potter is desired to inform him hereof and report to next monthly meeting.

The meeting informed that [illegible] is in the practice of keeping company with a young woman not a member of our Society and appearing in apparel [illegible] that simple plainness that becomes our profession for which they have laboured with him but have not received any Satisfaction therefore we appoint William Anthony Jur Joseph Tucker Junr and Joseph [illegible] to labour further with him on account of his misconduct and report to next monthly meeting.

The School Committee laid the following report before this meeting,

Committee
on Education

We of the committee appointed to advise and assist in the Existing Friends Schools, and in the maintainance of the Rules & orders established by friends for the Religious Education of the youth in such Schools, have now to report that we have attended in Some measure to that Service; But as these things are but new among us our progress herein hath been but small; Friends not being fully acquainted, in every respect of the method proposed in the Establishing such Schools and some that are acquainted therewith do not submit themselves thereto divers Schools having been set up without our advice or consent, and several School Teachers have been employed by friends, who are members of our Society: yet notwithstanding these seeming obstructions we hope and believe as friends dwell in a Sense of the weight of this Excellent work it will gradually go on from step to step as Truth shall lead the way and by opening open our eyes to see more clearly the many advantages arising from a reformation in this important branch of our Discipline. We would therefore leave this our report to the monthly meeting, desiring to be dismissed from our appointment that a new appointment may be made: all which is Submitted to your consideration

Abial Gifford   Caleb Russell
Dated this 2nd of ye 8th month 1783.   Jonathan Willbor.   Samuel Smith
Wm Anthony Jur

Which is referred to next monthly meeting for further consideration.

Wm Russell
& [illegible]

William Russell (son of Abraham decd) and Hepzabah Mosher declared their Intentions of takeing each other in marriage he having consent in writing of his Parent:

8 mo. 1783 and they are desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer: and [illegible] Gifford are appointed to make the necessary enquiry into the young man's clearness [illegible] conversation; and report to next monthly meeting.

The Committee to receive Subscriptions for the yearly meeting School report that they have received the sum of £13..13..0 yet they are continued in that Service and to report when Ready.

Collection £0..16..2

This meeting thinks it proper to endeavour to preserve the fence round our meeting house within the yards against our next Quarterly meeting, therefore we appoint our friends [illegible] Gifford and Jonathan Tucker to use their endeavours to preserve their fence for that purpose; also to Procure Hay if needed for said Quarterly meeting.

9 mo. 1783 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 15th of the 9th month 1783. The Representatives are Gideon Gifford, John Devaul & Benja Taber are present.

[illegible] Received a removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Swanzey in behalf of Ebenezer Chase Jun Signifying he was a member of that meeting and that he had settled his outward affairs to Satisfaction; and Abiel Gifford, Benjamin Chase and William Gifford are appointed to visit said Ebenezer, and inspect into his circumstances and report when ready.

Gideon Anthony returned a copy of a minute of this meeting in the first month last, with an Endorsement thereon from East Greenwich Signifying he appeared in a good degree of an orderly life and conversation and a diligent attender of meetings while there.

[illegible] and read in this meeting and Some Suitable remarks made thereon.

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting George Smith 2d and wife, report they have had a further opportunity of Solid conference with them, and received Some degree of Satisfaction, yet the matter is referred under the same friends care for further proof of their Sincerity, and they to report to next monthly meeting.

The Clerk informs that the Testimonies of Denials of John Potter and Isaac Smith son of Gershom have been read as directed last monthly meeting.

[illegible] informs that he hath informed [illegible] of his denial as directed last monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to treat further with Gilbert Russell on account of his keeping company with a young woman not a member of our Society and other misconduct report that they have taken an opportunity of Solid conference with him; and he did not object to any thing alledged against him by our minutes; nor Shew any disposition to Condemn the same, Therefore for the Clearing of Truth and Friends from such disorderly conduct we with the concurrence of the

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Gilbert Russell
disowned

womens meeting to disown the said Gilbert Russell from having any right of membership among us and Joseph Gifford is appointed to inform him thereof, and report next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to make the necessary enquiry into the Clearness of William Russell son of Abraham respecting marriage and conversation Report that they have taken the necessary care and that they find nothing sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

William Russell and Hepzibah Mosher appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting, advising with the Friends the meeting hath appointed to see said marriage Solemnized who are Benjamin Chase and William Gifford and they to report next monthly meeting.

Barker
Little denied

The Friends appointed to treat further with Barker Little respecting his misconduct, report that they have discharged themselves in that matter, and have produced a draught of a Testimony of his denial as follows

Whereas Barker Little having had his Education amongst Friends, but through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Principle of Truth in his own heart hath much neglected the attendance of our meetings, and uses profane language at times and hath removed out of the Verge of this meeting without a Certificate or advice of Friends and friends having laboured with him the said Barker in order to convince him of his outgoings, But our labours of Love not having the desired effect to Satisfaction, therefore we are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said Barker Little, disowning him from being member of meeting, nevertheless it is our sincere desire that he may come to Sight and Sense of his outgoings and with unfeigned Repentance return to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and by order of our said meeting ye 15th of 9th month 1783 By Wm Anthony Jun Clerk
Susanna Smith Clerk.

Which with the concurrence of the Women was Signed in each meeting by the Clerks, and the Clerk of this meeting is desired to cause the same to be read in the usual, the same friends to inform Barker of his denial.

Ruth Soule
and daughters
Certificate

A Removal Certificate for Ruth Soule and her daughters Susanna Mary and Thankful directed to the monthly meeting of Acoaxset, Signifying their right of membership; was Signed by the Clerk.

Ephm Mosher
and Joanna
Mosher intents

Ephraim Mosher and Joanna Mosher declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer; he having produced a Certificate from Nine partners Signifying his clearness respecting marriage.

Adam Mott desires the advice of Friends respecting Selling his Interest and removing his family

9mo 1783. Thereupon we appoint William Gifford Benjamin Chase and [illegible] to [illegible]

Joanna Mosher widdow being about to marry we appoint William Anthony Jun and Thomas Russell to inspect into the circumstances of her children that their rights by former marriages be not neglected: and report to next monthly meeting.

Collected £ 1 " 8 " 9½

This meeting is adjourned to the 24th Instant after the meeting of worship.

Met by adjournment ye 24th of 9th mo 1783. Representatives all present.

The appointed a Small Committee [illegible] and to report to next monthly meeting [illegible] to be small.

The Womens Friends Inform that they have taken [illegible] and her daughter [illegible] under dealing for their misconduct [illegible] and [illegible], this meeting unite therefore appoint Jonathan Wilbour [illegible] and [illegible] to join the women Friends in inspecting that matter, and Labour with the offending; and if they do not find satisfaction from them or either of them, to draw a Testimony of their denial accordingly and inform them, and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting.

Caleb Greene & Mercy Slocum app. Elders. The Committee appointed to inspect into the matter, respecting an addition of Elders have reported their approbation of Caleb Greene and Mercy Slocum for said service; therefore this meeting with approval of them [illegible] appoint ye said Caleb Greene and Mercy Slocum in the station of Elders accordingly having the unity and concurrence of the womens meeting therein.

We appoint our friends [illegible], Jonathan Wilbor, William Gifford, Caleb Green and Benjamin Smith Jr to attend our next Quarterly meeting, as Representatives, and present the answers to the Queries, and also the Epistle, which was signed in this meeting and report next monthly meeting.

Benj Gifford Jun & wife disowned. The Overseers Inform that Benjamin Gifford Jun and [illegible] his wife are guilty of the Sin of Fornication, as by their own confession [illegible] and said Benjamin and wife hath [illegible] themselves and cannot [illegible], therefore with the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown them the said Benjamin and wife [illegible] from membership among us. And [illegible] Smith is appointed to draw a Testimony of their denial and bring to next monthly meeting, and inform them in writing when way is open.

William Anthony Jun Clerk of this meeting informs that he intends a journey to [illegible] and Saratoga to visit his relations in them parts and also to attend the Quarterly meetings at Oblong and Nine partners and this concurring with the same, he being a member of this meeting

9 mo 1st 83 & Thomas [illegible] to [illegible] copy of this minute and sign the same in behalf of this meeting.

£150 for [illegible] It [illegible] the [illegible] of the yearly meeting that £150 be raised for the yearly meeting Stock: Therefore we appoint our friends Simon [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] and Elijah Gifford to receive in Subscriptions made in freedom for that purpose and they to make report as soon as they have discharged themselves therein.

The Women friends inform that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to marry [illegible]: and desire the Assistance of men friends therein, therefore We appoint William Anthony Jun to Join the Women and take the necessary care therein and report to next monthly meeting.

10 mo 1st 83

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 20th of ye 10th month 1783 The Representatives being called are [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] Russell all present.

Simon Sanford attended the Copy of a minute of this meeting in 8th month last; with an Endorsement from [illegible] Meeting Signifying he attended that monthly meeting to Satisfaction

The Committee appointed to have the care of that matter respecting George Smith 2d and wife, report that they have made some progress therein but desiring it may be deferred another month, it is accordingly deferred under the same friends care till next monthly meeting they then to make report.

The friends appointed to inspect into the Circumstances of the Rights of Joanna Mosher's children by former marriage, report that they have taken the necessary care therein [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] Satisfaction.

[illegible] Gifford informs that he hath informed [illegible] Russell of his denial as directed last Mo. meeting.

The friends appointed to see William Russell and Hephzibah Mosher's Marriage orderly Solemnized Report that they attended thereto and did not find but that it was orderly Solemnized.

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of the denial of [illegible] [illegible] hath been read as directed.

The friends appointed to have the care of the [illegible] respecting [illegible] [illegible], as at last monthly meeting, Report, that they have taken the necessary care therein, and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] as they thought best: yet they are continued in that Service & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] as they [illegible] [illegible] necessary and report when ready.

The friends appointed to join the Women friends, in inspecting [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] Mosher and her daughter [illegible] Report, that they have not accomplished the same and desire it deferred it is accordingly defer under the same friends care and attention till next monthly meeting they then to make Report.

10 mo 1783 School Committee app.d

The School Committee made Report in writing in the 8th month last and is Recorded in page 262 (in the minute page of [illegible]) [illegible] and they dismissed from that Service [illegible] are now appointed [illegible] a School Committee for the year ensuing [illegible] Committee to Sit as a Committee and not less.

Removal of Elizth Little and family and Susanna Baker

A Removal Certificate for Elizabeth Little [illegible] and their children [illegible] Rebekah [illegible] and Susanna Baker [illegible] directed to the Monthly meeting at [illegible] setting forth their being members in [illegible] with this monthly meeting was Signed by the Clerk.

Rhoda Wing [illegible]

A Removal Certificate directed to the Monthly meeting of [illegible] in behalf of Rhoda wife of [illegible] setting forth her being a member in Communion with the women friends was Signed by the Clerk.

[illegible] and Joanna [illegible] appeared in this meeting for their Answer; Which was that they [illegible] to take each other in marriage at some convenient time, [illegible] with the friends this meeting [illegible] to see the marriage orderly Solemnized [illegible] and they are to make report to next monthly meeting.

A few lines was endorsed on the Copy of a minute [illegible] Sigford produced from the [illegible] monthly meeting Signifying he attended this meeting to Satisfaction.

Collected £1.. 9.. 3½

This meeting is adjourned to the 29th Instant at the usual time of day.

29th of ye 10th month 1783 Met by adjournment; The Representatives called are Joseph Barker, Benjamin Reider [illegible] present.

[illegible] for this time.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, report that they all attended that meeting, and produced the Epistle [illegible] which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction [illegible] meeting [illegible] next monthly meeting.

A Testimony of Denial of Benjamin Sigford and wife [illegible] was produced as follows,

Whereas Benjamin Sigford [illegible] his wife, Having been as members of our Society under the care of this meeting, but through inattention to the dictates of Truth, they have fallen into the sin of Fornication as appears by their own Confession and friends having [illegible] with them on that account in order for their

10mo 1783 labouration and necessary but it not having the desired effect, and instead thereof the said Benjamin and Rhoda Gifford having removing away to a distant place where they could not conveniently be further laboured with on that account: Therefore we being concerned for the clearing of Truth's Testimony herein, do disown them the said Benjamin Gifford and Rhoda his wife from being members of our Society until by a sincere repentance and amendment of life they may be restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly meeting of men and women friends held in Dartmouth by adjournment the 29th day of the 10th month 1783

By Caleb Greene Clerk this time
Mercy Slocum Clerk this time.

which was read and after some alteration was Signed by this [illegible] Meeting and [illegible] is desired to cause the Same to be read in the usual manner at Newtown and report to next monthly meeting.

The choice and appointment of overseers for the year ensuing is proposed, as the time agreed on in the last appointment is expired, yet a new choice is deferred till next monthly meeting for further consideration.

The women friends inform that the matter respecting Joanna Mosher's certificate is deferred till next monthly meeting under the friends care who was appointed therefor.

Giles Russell request the advice of friends respecting his selling or leasing his deceased [illegible] Estate therefore we appoint Elijah Gifford and Nicholas Lapham and Timothy Gifford to advise with him therein as way may open, and report next meeting.

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17, 83. At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of 11th month 1783 The Representatives are Joseph Tucker, Joseph Austin and Seth Huddleston, being Called are all present.

The Clerk yet being absent Caleb Greene is appointed Clerk for this time.

The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting [illegible] and wife report that they have had some [illegible] [illegible] satisfaction [illegible] [illegible] the matter [illegible] it is accordingly deferred till next monthly meeting under the same friends care they then to report.

The committee in the case of [illegible] and her daughter [illegible] not having accomplished the same, and request to [illegible], it is therefore continued till next monthly meeting under the care and are to report next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends to oversee the marriage of Gardner Mosher and Joanna Mosher report that they attended the Same and saw nothing but that it was orderly Solemnized.

The matter respecting alteration of our meeting house, or the better accommodating it for the

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Sundry members of this meeting; coming under consideration; this appoints [illegible] Peleg Slocum, [illegible], Caleb Russell, Henry Tucker, John Tucker, Samuel Smith, Thomas Hicks and Benjamin Smith as a Committee to consider of their situation and recommendation, and what is necessary to be done therein; and report to next monthly meeting.

The [illegible] having attended to that [illegible] a member of this meeting in the 10th month last [illegible] by the monthly meeting of the [illegible] the 13th of last month signifying his orderly behaviour while among them which is accepted to satisfaction.

Benjamin Slocum reports that the marriage of [illegible] of Benjamin [illegible] was accomplished according to appointment.

The matter of [illegible] coming again under consideration is referred to next monthly meeting.

Josiah Wood gave in a paper to this meeting condemning his mis conduct for which he was denied, therefore this meeting appoints Elijah Gifford and Thomas Hicks to have an opportunity of Solid conference with him on that Subject in order to discover his Sincerity and to report next monthly meeting.

Joanna
Mosher
[illegible]

A removal certificate for Joanna Mosher directed to the monthly meeting at the Nine partners, Setting forth her being a member of our Society and that she hath settled her outward affairs to Satisfaction; was signed in this meeting by the Clerk in Concurrence with the Women's meeting.

Received the following advice from the meeting for Sufferings, viz.

It appearing necessary that some General advice be given what copies from our Records such who have heretofore been members of our Society may reasonably expect to be furnished with. This meeting gives it as their Sense and Judgment that it may be advisable for any monthly meeting to direct their Clerks on application of any Person heretofore a Member of our Society or their Survivor in friends meetings or others; to give Copies of their Records, Marriage Certificates; of their Births and Deaths, of their Children and Friends and of any other minute necessary for avoiding their Rights in the same manner [illegible] would be granted to members of our Society.

Copy of a minute of the meeting for Sufferings held at Dartmouth the 6th of the 10th month 1783.

Extracts of [illegible] which was read and accepted and is to the satisfaction of this Meeting.

Dan.l Wing
rec'd by cert.

Received a certificate from the monthly meeting of Sandwich in behalf of Daniel Wing a minor, living at Peleg Slocum's, which is accepted; also in behalf of Alice Wing a Girl which as she is placed out from among Friends: We return the care of her to them; which was signified by an Endorsement returned on said Certificate, which was signed by the Clerk.

The Women inform that Abigail Briggs

11th m 1783 hath requested to be admitted under Friends care: We therefore appoint [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] Smith to join the women friends to take the necessary care therein and make report to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] having requested at the Preparative and this meeting to be admitted under friends care, we therefore appoint William Wood and Seth [illegible] to take a solid opportunity with him and family in order he may be [illegible] of principles; and make report to next monthly meeting.

The Women Friends inform they have [illegible] Ruth Mott under dealing for [illegible], and have appointed a committee to treat with her which this meeting concurs with; and appoints William Gifford and Stephen Buffinton to join the women friends therein and report to next monthly meeting.

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Collection 1..16..7½

Treasurer is ordered to pay to Giles Slocum the sum of [illegible] shillings towards a load of Hay he delivered this meeting [illegible] and report to this meeting.

The Treasurer reports he hath paid Giles Slocum as ordered.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of ye 12th month 1783 The Representatives from the Preparative meeting are Benjamin Taber, Thomas Mott and Stephen Gifford all Present.

The Queries were read and Answers thereto read and after some amendment were approved by the meeting.

Overseers Appt'd. The matter of choosing Overseers coming again under consideration We therefore appoint Benjamin Taber, Joseph Tucker Jun, Joseph Austin, Benjamin Smith 2d, [illegible] [illegible] and Caleb Russell to the place of Overseers for the year Ensuing and from that time till others chosen or appointed in their room; who are desired to attend to their own Gifts therein to see that the cause of Truth be kept up in the several members of our meeting.

Received a Certificate on account of William Gifford (son of Ephraim deceased) setting forth his Clearness in regard to marriage, and that he is a member of Society, directed to this meeting from Accoakset; also he hath produced consent of his mother therefore

Wm Gifford & [illegible] William Gifford and Hannah [illegible] declared their intentions of taking Each other in marriage and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their Answer.

Gideon Anthony informed this meeting that he intends to go to East Hoosuck or Saratoga in order to make some Stay with which meeting doth concur he being a member hereof and the clerk is desired to give him a copy of this minute.

William Anthony Jun having [illegible]

12 mo. 1783 from his Journey at East Hoosuck and Saratoga produced a few lines from the monthly meeting there setting forth his attendance with them to Satisfaction.

Alteration of meeting house agreed upon for accommodation of [illegible]

The Committee appointed to alter our meeting house, and after meeting on the same have agreed to move the Partition as far Eastward as the Great door; and to have a passage out of the Little Room up Stairs: And that the Same be Effected as Soon as may be; and also that the Womens Chamber be repaired to make it warm and that the Roof be mended.

Signed by direction of the Committee

Dated this 10th of 12th month 1783. by Samuel Smith

Which is accepted, and in consequence thereof our Friends Peleg Gifford, Philip Safford and William [illegible] are appointed to See said meeting house altered and repaired accordingly, and report next monthly meeting.

Collected £ s. d. 1..19..3

The Friends appointed to collect money by way of Subscription have made Report that they have collected the sum of £8..13..3 to Supplying the yearly meeting Stock.

This meeting adjourns to the 24th of this Instant, after meeting of Worship.

Mett by adjournment the 24th of 12th month 1783. The Representatives being called are Benjamin Tabor, Thomas Mott and Stephen Gifford all present.

The Committee appointed to have the care of that matter Respecting George Smith 2d and wife Report that they have taken Further Care therein and that have some Satisfaction; yet the matter for the further Satisfaction of this meeting is Deferd till next monthly meeting under the same friends care who are then to Report.

The Friends appointed to have the care of Jethro Russells request Report that they have Visited him to some Satisfaction, yet Judge it best to defer the matter some time longer for further Satisfaction; it is accordingly deferd under the Same Friends care till next monthly meeting then to report.

The Committee in the case of [illegible] Wheeler and daughter [illegible] report the matter continued; it is accordingly deferd till next monthly meeting, they then to report.

One of the Committee in the case of [illegible] Report concerning his misconduct, for which he was denied, request that matter continued - it is accordingly deferd till next monthly meeting. The Committee then to report.

The Friends appointed to Joine the Women friends in treating with Ruth Mott - Report that the matter is not accomplished, it is therefore continued under the same friends care till next monthly meeting they then to make report.

The Friends inform that Francis [illegible] much neglects the attendance of our Religious

12 mo 1783. meetings, which hath occasioned a [illegible] in many of Friends and appears far from that plainness which we profess: for which defects we [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] impractices: therefore we appoint our Friends William [illegible] and Thomas [illegible] to [illegible] and make report to next monthly meeting.

Jonathan Tallman requests by way of [illegible] to be received under our care. We therefore appoint our Friends Seth Huddleston and Stephen Buffinton to take a Solid opportunity with said Jonathan, in order to discovering his intention and make report to next Monthly meeting.

The [illegible] being referred [illegible] is referred to next monthly meeting.

Received a request and information of [illegible] meeting at [illegible] monthly meeting, of the 6th & 17th of last month: signifying that William Russell removed from thence to Dartmouth without a certificate, having his conduct [illegible] to the satisfaction of Friends: We therefore appoint [illegible] and [illegible] to visit with said William [illegible] and report to next monthly meeting.

An Epistle to the Quarterly meeting was prepared and signed by the Clerk, and directed to be forwarded by our Representatives, who are William Anthony Jur, [illegible] Davis, [illegible] and Joseph Austin and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

The Committee to provide Hay for the last Quarterly meeting past; have brought Noah Russells account for [illegible] the Treasurer is directed to pay [illegible] from the meeting and make report to this meeting.

Samuel Smith, Jonathan Wilbur, Benjamin [illegible] and George Smith are appointed to review and inspect this meetings minutes of the year past in order that they may be recorded, and settle accounts with the Treasurer, and make report to next monthly meeting.

1 mo 1784 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 1st month 1784 The Representatives from the Preparative meetings are John [illegible] Joseph [illegible] and Prince [illegible] all present.

The Friends appointed to treat with [illegible] [illegible], Report that they have had an opportunity with him to a degree of satisfaction; and he having given in a paper condemning his misconduct; which this meeting concludes to accept for satisfaction, Provided he cause said paper to be publickly read at the close of a first day meeting for Worship, he being present and return it to next mo. meeting.

This meeting in concurrence with the

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Women friends hath signed an information to Rhode Island Monthly meeting respecting said Ann informing them that we have made enquiry into her conversation and find nothing sufficient to hinder her being received into membership.

The Friends appointed to repair the meeting house [illegible] report that they have made some progress therein but not accomplished fully they are therefore continued in said service and to report to next monthly meeting.

This acknowledgment recorded [illegible] 1784

The friends appointed with [illegible] report that they have had an opportunity of solid conference with them and that they gave them so much satisfaction that friends may accept their acknowledgment for Satisfaction, Provided they cause said paper of acknowledgment to be publickly Read at the Close of a first day worship, and they both present and return the Same to next monthly meeting.

Francis Allen Jur [illegible]

The Committee appointed to Treat with Francis Allen Jur Report that they treated with said Offender, and that he gave them no Satisfaction; therefore this meeting doth disown him the said Francis Allen Jur from being any longer a Member of our Society.

[illegible] and Hannah Smith appeared for their answer which was that they intend to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting according with the friends that this meeting shall appoint to oversee the Same who are William Anthony Jur and Jonathan Wilbur and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to have a conference with Jonathan [illegible] on his request Report that they have had a solid satisfactory opportunity with him and think he is in some degree sincere in his request.

Benjamin Tilley having returned home hath produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Saratoga setting forth his orderly conduct while there which is to our Satisfaction.

Joshua Macomber attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from the Monthly Meeting at Saratoga [illegible] signifying the Same.

Collected £1..5s..9d

This meeting adjourns to ye 28th instant after the meeting for worship.

Meeting adjourned ye 28th of ye 1st month 1784. The Representatives being Called were present.

John [illegible] is appointed to inform Francis Allen Jur of his denial [illegible] make report next monthly meeting.

The matter in regard to Jonathan [illegible] request coming again under consideration, and friends considering thereof, do conclude to grant his request, and do receive him into membership with us; he having

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the concurrence of women friends therein.

The friends appointed to visit [illegible] Russell having request to be taken under friends care, make report that they have had a solid opportunity of conference with him, which was to their satisfaction; and this meeting taking it under consideration do accept of him into Membership with us having the womens concurrence therein.

The matter of chuseing Overseers of the poor is referred to the next monthly meeting, and the former ones are continued to that time.

The friends appointed in regard to the request of Saratog monthly meeting concerning William Russell report, they have treated with him, [illegible] and that he gave them some encouragement to endeavour to satisfy friends at that meeting, but did not [illegible], therefore said committee are still continued to see that he [illegible] accordingly [illegible] and make report when it shall be done, or otherwise when they shall think friends have waited a sufficient time therefor.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended agreeable to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from said meeting, which hath been read to satisfaction, and the advices contained therein referred to next monthly meeting for further consideration.

Delila Mosher
[illegible]

The Committee appointed (in conjunction with the womens meeting) in the case of Jane Mosher and her daughter Delila make report, that they have had several solid opportunities with them and that the said Jane gave them so much satisfaction they think it may be safe to let the matter drop in regard to her the said Jane Mosher, but as to her daughter Delila she did not give them satisfaction, therefore they have drafted a Testimonial against said Delila which hath been read, and the said report and denial hath been accepted and accepted, and said Testimony signed by the Clerk who is directed to read the same publickly at the close of a meeting for Worship on a first day and make report to next monthly meeting.

Our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting have produced a receipt from the yearly meetings Treasurer that he received £8"13s"3d to supply the yearly meeting stock.

Black people
[illegible]

This meeting being informed that the Black people that attend our meetings for Worship have at some times been not suitably provided with seats, therefore this meeting appoints Thomas Hicks, John [illegible], Philip [illegible], William Anthony Jr, Caleb Russell, Joseph Austin and David [illegible] to inspect into that matter and provide such seats as they may think best and inform them thereof, and make report when accomplished.

The Committee appointed to revise this meetings minutes report they have revised said minutes and judge them to be recorded and that they have settled

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with the Treasurer. and that there remained in Stock before the a
[illegible]
which Sum was then in Stock which was ye 17th of 1st month 1784, which
was before our last Collection.

The women inform that Phebe [illegible] keeps company with a man not of our Society and request our assistance therein therefore we appoint George Smith and William Anthony for that purpose and to report next monthly meeting.

Abraham [illegible] informs this meeting that he has thoughts of disposing of his Estate and moving [illegible] therefore we appoint [illegible] and [illegible] Gifford to inspect into his circumstances and to advise him as they find [illegible] next Monthly meeting.

The women request the assistance of this meeting in regard to Deborah Howland who hath removed within [illegible] monthly meeting without a Certificate, therefore we appoint John Devoll and Seth [illegible] for that purpose and to report their doing therein next monthly meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth
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[illegible]

Josiah Wood [illegible]

The Clerk informs that Josiah Wood's paper hath been read as directed last monthly meeting and the same returned to this meeting, and said Josiah received accordingly.

The Friends appointed to repair the meeting house report that they have not accomplished it yet by reason of the Severity of the weather, they are therefore continued to accomplish the same and report to next monthly meeting.

Geo Smith [illegible]

The Clerk informs that George Smith & [illegible] wife [illegible] paper of acknowledgment [illegible] last monthly meeting, and the said George Smith and wife are admitted into membership accordingly.

Friends appointed to attend the marriage of William Gifford and Hannah [illegible] report that they attended said marriage and did not see but that it was orderly accomplished.

[illegible] informed Francis [illegible] last monthly meeting.

The advices of the Quarterly meeting coming again under the consideration of this meeting, viz the treating [illegible] such as [illegible] the practice of [illegible] among Friends, therefore meeting appoints [illegible] Gifford, Caleb Greene, Thomas Hicks, William Gifford, [illegible], Jonathan Wilbor, John Devoll and Seth [illegible] to treat with the former and advise the latter agreeable to the [illegible]

Committee to labor with those who [illegible] in meeting & [illegible]

2 mo 1, 84 — meeting's advice, and the mind of Truth therein: and make report from time to time as may be necessary.

Delilah Portland — The friends appointed to assist the women in regard to Delilah Portland who hath removed within [illegible] monthly meeting without a certificate and for much neglect in attendance of our meetings, report that they with the women have taken a solid opportunity with her and that she did not give them any satisfaction, therefore this meeting doth concur with the women in disowning her.

Mary Wood remd. — A removal certificate was signed in this meeting by the Clerk in concurrence of women friends for Mary Wood [illegible]

The further advice of the Quarterly meeting respecting the choosing [illegible] for our meeting Annually is referred to next monthly meeting.

The choice of overseers of the poor being referred to this meeting Aaron [illegible] and John [illegible], Caleb [illegible], Jonathan Wilbor, John [illegible] George Smith and William Gifford are appointed for that Service the year Ensuing.

The Women request the assistance of men friends in treating with [illegible] therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker and Seth [illegible] to assist the women and make report to next monthly meeting.

Collected £1. 18s. 5d.

This meeting adjourns to the 26th instant after the meeting for worship.

Met by adjournment the 26th of the 2nd mo month 1784. The representatives being called were all present.

The Clerk reports that the Testimony of denial against [illegible] hath been read as directed last monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to advise and assist Abraham [illegible] report that they have not fully accomplished said matter therefore they are continued in that service and to report next monthly meeting.

Anna Marshall recd by Cert. — The Women inform they have Received a removal certificate for Anna Marshall from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket which this meeting concurs with.

It is proposed whether it may not be best to divide our Preparative meeting into two distinct Preparative meetings; therefore we appoint our friends James Davis, Thomas Hicks, [illegible] Gifford, Stephen Buffinton, Elihu Gifford and William Anthony Jr to join the women friends and take said matter under consideration; and if they think best to divide said meeting they to propose bounds between meetings and report to next monthly meeting.

Barnabus Russell Informs this meeting that he hath thoughts of going to Philadelphia on

2 mo 1784 business, and request a minute from this meeting: We concurring with this request; he being a member of this meeting the Clerk is directed to give him a copy of this minute.

The friends at Bedford handed in a Petition for to have a meeting house built there and friends taking the matter under consideration do appoint Joseph Rickerson, William Gifford, Peleg Gifford, Benj. Russell & [illegible] to take that matter under consideration & report their sense [illegible] next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed [illegible] in that matter [illegible] is deferred to next monthly meeting they then to report.

Ruth Mott disowned Part of the Comm^tee appointed in the matter respecting Ruth Mott report they made some inquiry therein [illegible] the women inform they have disowned the sd Ruth Mott which this meeting doth concur with.

3 mo 1784 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 15th of ye 3d month 1784 The Representatives from the Preparative meeting are William Barker Seth Russell and William Gifford all present.

The friends appointed to repair the meeting house report that they have [illegible] not having accomplished the same they are continued in that service and report next Monthly Meeting.

Two of the Overseers inform that Samuel Gidley hath proceeded to keep company and contract marriage with a woman not of our Society after being cautioned and treated with on that account, therefore this meeting (with with the concurrence of the womens meeting) do disown him the said Samuel Gidley from being a member of our Society [illegible] is directed to inform him thereof and to make report next monthly meeting.

Samuel Gidley disowned

The friends appointed to join the women in treating with Mary Bowdish not having accomplished it they are still continued in said service and to report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to advise with Abraham Allen in regard to his disposing of his Estate, report that they have performed said service and it was their advice for him not to dispose of any of sd Estate [illegible] which report is accepted by this meeting.

The friends appointed in the matter respecting the petition of Bedford friends building a Meeting house there brought the following report; which is accepted by this meeting and this meeting doth conclude to refer it to our next Quarterly meeting for their approbation and assistance if they may think proper.

To the Monthly meeting of Dartmouth to be held the 15th of 3d month 1784. According to appointment some of us attended with a committee from the Quarterly meeting, respect

3rd 1784 by friends request at [illegible] to build a meeting house there; and after considering of the bigness of said house to be 40 by Eighty [illegible] estimating the cost of 400£. We think proper for friends to come to Subscribing in order to accomplish said matter.

Joseph Howland Benjamin Smith Jun
Giles Slocum Wm Anthony Jun
Wm Gifford.

[illegible] 4 1 6 11

Some friends in [illegible] Neck and other friends requesting the privilege of one meeting a week in that neck; this meeting taking the same under consideration conclude with the womens meeting concurrence to grant said request, and [illegible] that the meeting for worship [illegible] during the winter [illegible] and that on the first day of the week to begin at the eleventh hour and our friends Elijah Gifford Giles Slocum and Thomas Hicks are appointed to attend and have the care thereof and report to next monthly meeting.

This meeting adjourns to the 24th Instant after the meeting for worship

Mett by adjournment the 24th of ye 3 month 1784 The Representatives from the Preparative meeting are William Barker Seth Russell and William Gifford all present.

The advice of the Quarterly meeting respecting the Choice of Clerk to be chosen Annually being again from last monthly meeting and considered. William Anthony Jun is therefore appointed to continue in that Service the year Ensuing.

Clerk appo.

The friends appointed to assist the Women in respect to Phebe Lapham Report that is not accomplished they are therefore continued in that Service and to report next monthly meeting.

Rebecca Ritch

The Women inform they have received a removal Certificate from Nantucket monthly meeting in favour of Rebecca Ritch which this meeting concurs with.

The committee appointed to join the Women friends to consider the matter of dividing the Preparative Meeting into two distincts Preparatives meetings, and propose boundaries between them Report as follows,

We the Committee of men and women Friends appointed by the monthly meeting for considering the dividing the Preparative meeting, have Solidly considered and conferred on with Several other friends on that matter, and it is our Sense and Judgment that it is best it should be divided & called North & South preparative meeting and that line of division be thus viz, Beginning at the Southeast corner of Jonathan Tuckers land on the West Side of Clarks or Shermans Cove, from thence till it goes to the Southward of John Howlands house, including said house to the Northward of said line from thence to Southeast corner of James Tuckers homestead farm, from thence in a direct line to the brook called the half mile Brook where

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said brook crosses the Road Northward of Stephen Buffintons from thence to the South east corner of the land formerly belonging to [illegible] on the west side of the High way and from thence to the Southeast corner of Zephaniah Eddy's land in a course East line.

Two preparative meetings made.

[illegible] 3d mo 8th 1784.

[illegible] Russell	William Anthony Jr
Mary Smith	[illegible]
Susan Howland	James Davis
Sarah Anthony	Stephen Buffinton.

Which Report is accepted and with the concurrence of the Women said Preparative meeting is divided accordingly and the denominations of them approved of; and that the South Preparative meeting be held as usual at our old meeting house in Ponaganset and the North Preparative meeting be held [illegible] the first day next preceding our Monthly meeting and the time for holding it at Each place be concluded by a Committee for that purpose who are William Anthony Jr [illegible] and Stephen Buffinton and they to join the Women and to make report next Monthly meeting, and that the first North Preparative meeting be held at Newtown next month. And notwithstanding the boundaries are as above said yet by the request of [illegible] she and her daughters Rebecca and Hanna they are to remain members of the South Preparative meeting.

The Queries were answered and an account prepared to the Quarterly meeting which was signed by the Clerk which account and answers were forwarded by our Representatives who are Samuel Smith John Howland Caleb Greene and they to report to next Monthly meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Greenwich ye 19th of 4th mo 1784. The Representatives being called are from the South Preparative meeting [illegible] Lapham from the North Preparative meeting Caleb Russell and Seth [illegible] all present.

Caleb Congdon [illegible]

Received a removal Certificate on behalf of Caleb Congdon from the monthly meeting of Providence, Setting forth his right of membership and that he is come to learn a Trade within the compass of this meeting, which this meeting accepts.

The Committee appointed to repair the meeting house report that it is not yet fully accomplished therefore they are continued to accomplish it and make report next Monthly meeting.

[illegible] having made no report of his [illegible] is desired to report next monthly meeting.

Report was made by the Representatives all attended the Quarterly meeting except Caleb Greene who sent a reasonable excuse, which was accepted — and they produced an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting which was read and the contents thereof recommended to individuals to themselves; and as the Quarterly meeting [illegible]

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the sum of [illegible] money in addition to supply the yearly meeting stock, and[?] those friends that have the last Subscriptions for the supply of the yearly meeting take said Subscriptions and endeavour to raise said money by friends Subscribing thereto again and they to report next Monthly meeting. Joseph [illegible] being released by reason of his [illegible] absence [illegible] is added in his room.

The friends appointed to have the care and oversight of the meeting that was appointed in Allens neck, report, that they all attended said meeting which was conducted orderly and pretty good Satisfaction which report the meeting accepts of.

Week day Meetings held at Newtown and Bedford

The Committee appointed to consider in the [illegible] of the [illegible] meeting [illegible] meeting be held one half the time at Newtown; and the other half the time at Bedford which report this meeting accepts of.

Certificate rec'd

The Womens friends inform they have received a removal certificate from the Monthly meeting of Greenwich on behalf of Anne Brown which this meeting concurs with.

[illegible]

The Womens friends inform they have received [illegible] now [illegible] which this meeting concurs with.

As the Quarterly meeting hath appointed a Committee to attend this meeting and confer with us and friends at Bedford in regard to building a meeting house at Bedford therefore we appoint our friends Joseph [illegible] Benjamin Smith 2d William Anthony Jr [illegible] and William Tifford as a Committee to join the Quarterly meetings Committee in that matter to consider on the bigness of said house and compute the cost, and to consider all other matters necessary therein and make report when ready.

Some of the Overseers inform by way of the Preparative meeting that [illegible] Russell Jr [illegible] the attendance of our Religious meetings and appears at times far from that plainess in habbit as becomes our Profession. also hath attended one marriage and the Entertainment of another, which marriages were out of the Unity of our Society and that they laboured with him for the above offences but received no Satisfaction therefore we appoint Seth Huddleston William Tucker and Thomas [illegible] to Labour further with him for the above said offences and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The Overseers of the Poor handed in an account from Isaac Russell for keeping Alice Smith Eleven months, together with her Funeral charges to the amount of £16"10s"0d which this meeting approves of and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the Same when he is supply'd with money and report to this meeting.

The Overseers of the poor handed in an accompt from Timothy Howland, for keeping Hannah Carter 13 weeks to the amount of £4"13s"0d which this meeting accepts and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the Same when Supplied with money and report to this meeting.

4 mo 1784 [illegible] appointed some time past [illegible] with [illegible] respecting [illegible] his [illegible] report that they attended with him therein according to their ability which report is accepted
Collection £1„13„6

5 mo 1784 At a Monthly meeting of friends held [illegible] 1784 [illegible]

[illegible] The Committee appointed [illegible] report that they have [illegible] as far as appears necessary at present.

[illegible] informed Samuel Sealy of his denial as ordered.

The friends appointed to Treat with Giles Slocum Jun on account of his disorderly conduct &c Report that they have had a [illegible] opportunity and [illegible] with him but did not receive that [illegible] satisfaction but [illegible] that it may be continued for further Labour [illegible] next monthly meeting.

[illegible] from his Journy to Philadelphia have returned the Copy of this meetings minute which was made for that Purpose to Satisfaction

[illegible] given in a paper concerning and recommending [illegible] in the practice of [illegible] this meeting do appoint Jonathan Walton William Anthony [illegible] to inspect into the matter and Treat with them on that account and report next monthly meeting.

Mary Borden [illegible] The Women friends inform that they have concluded to disown Mary Borden wife of William Borden with the concurrence of this meeting which we do concur therewith and have signed a testimony of denial against her the said Mary [illegible] with the women friends and the Clerk is directed to read the same publickly at the close of a first day meeting for worship before next monthly meeting and then to make report.

Nathaniel Gifford & wife denied. The Committee appointed some time past to Treat with Nathaniel Gifford & wife report that they have had several [illegible] opportunities with them but their Labour not having the desired effect and that they still continue their neglect in the due attendance of our meetings and Friends having waited long for their return and not finding in them that Satisfaction which we desire we disown them from being members of our Society and [illegible] are appointed to draw a testimony of denial against them and bring it to next monthly meeting and also to inform them of their denial and make report thereof to next monthly meeting.
Collection £1„4„10

This meeting adjourns to the

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Mett by adjournment ye 2nd day of 6th month 1784. The Representatives from the Preparative meetings being called are all present.

[illegible] of the Committee of men and women friends appointed to consider and confer with the yearly meetings Committee on annexing this meeting to Sandwich Quarter not having an opportunity with said yearly meetings Committee, as they did not attend the meeting as expected; yet our said Committee have given in the following report.

Subject of annexation to Sandwich Q Meeting. We of the committee appointed by the monthly meeting of Dartmouth to consider of the matter in regard to our being annexed to Sandwich Quarter, have met and solidly considered the same upon our minds being [illegible] disposed to act therein [illegible] but we have not as yet discovered any prospect of any advantage either in [illegible] promoting the cause of Truth or general good in Society sufficient in our opinion to make the proposed alteration.

Given forth at our Committee ye [illegible] of 5th month 1784

Stephen [illegible] Caleb Russell Elizabeth [illegible]
Wm Anthony Jun Benja. Taber Mary Smith
Joseph [illegible] Jr Tho [illegible] Mary [illegible]
Saml Smith

which report is accepted & said Committee directed to lay the same with a copy of this minute before said yearly meetings Committee and report to next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to receive Subscriptions for the Supplying the yearly meetings Stock Report they have collected £5"1"11 since this meeting added thereto making the sum of £[illegible] as directed by the Quarterly meeting, which is directed to be forwarded to the yearly meeting Treasurer by John Rowland and to report next monthly meeting.

The friends that repaired the meeting house gave in their account of the same to the amount of three pounds Eleven Shillings which the Treasurer is directed to pay [illegible] with money.

6 mo 1784 At a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth ye [illegible] 6th month 1784. The Representatives from the [illegible] Preparative meeting are Joseph Tucker Jr and Nicholas Lapham from the Town Preparative meeting [illegible] and Benjamin Taber all present.

Alice [illegible] The Women inform they have received a removal Certificate from Rhode Island Monthly meeting in favour of [illegible] which was read to Satisfaction.

Lydia [illegible] The Women also inform that they with the concurrence of this meeting have admitted Lydia Allen into membership which this meeting unites with.

[illegible] Friend [illegible] Hopkins attended

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Visit of
J Hopkins -
Jno Willis -
Gideon
Hall -
Jos Willets

this meeting with a copy of a minute of a monthly meeting of Philadelphia, at the Bank meeting house for Northern districts the 25th of 5th month 1784.

Also our friend John Willis attended this meeting with his companion, minute of Westbury monthly meeting [illegible] of the same month 1784.

Also our friend Gideon Hall attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from Creek monthly meeting held at Nine Partners the 21st of 5th month 1784.

Also our friend Joseph Willits attended this meeting a companion of the said Gideon [illegible] a copy of a minute of Westbury monthly meeting of the 26th of 5th month 1784.

All which Certificates were severally read in this meeting to Satisfaction.

The friends appointed to treat with [illegible] [illegible] that matter before another month for a further opportunity with him it is continued under the same friends Care, who are to report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to inspect into the matter with those friends [illegible] concerning their being [illegible] in the practice of [illegible] report that they have taken some opportunity with the young men which [illegible] satisfaction but the matter is continued under the same friends care in order to discourage such [illegible] in continuing that practice and the friends to make report next monthly meeting.

The Women inform they have concluded to disown Mary Bowdish wife of William Bowdish (with this meetings concurrence) which we do concur with, and signed a Testimony of denial against her the said Mary jointly with the women friends, and the Clerk is directed to read the same publickly at the close of a first day meeting for worship before next monthly meeting and then to report.

The Clerk informs said Testimony hath been read and is as follows

Whereas Mary Bowdish, wife of William Bowdish having made profession with us and under the care of this meeting but through unwatchfulness hath so far departed from the principles principles we profess as to attend meetings held out of the unity of Friends for which misconduct she hath been laboured with in love but our labour not having the desired effect, therefore having cleared ourselves from any further Labour with her we do testify against the said Mary Bowdish from any right of membership with us and from under the care of this meeting. Nevertheless hoping she may come to a sence of her outgoing and return to the way of peace.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held at [illegible] 17th of 5mo. 1784

Signed in and on behalf of said meeting
by Wm Anthony Jun Clerk
Nancy [illegible] Clerk

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1784 George Smith 2 and wifes paper of Confession and acknowledgment not being [illegible] in the proper Place it is Recorded here and is as Followeth (see 5th mo. 1784)

To the Monthly meeting of Friends next to be held at Dartmouth.

Beloved Friends

With concern and Sorrow of mind, we have to acquaint you that by departing from the dictates and Testimony of Truth in our own minds, and giving way to the Temtation of the Enimy have fallen into the reproachful Sin of Fornication as appears by our having a Child soon after marriage which occasioned us to marry out of the order of Truth. Now these are to Certify to Friends and particularly to declare to the World that we are Sincerely Sorry for our Transgression and do hereby condemn the same desiring forgiveness from the Almighty against whose righteous Law we have sinned having [illegible] the Shame and reproach to [illegible] desiring only to clear Friends and the Testimony they bear from the same, and desire Friends so far to pass by our offence [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] so far as they would continue us under their care desiring in future that divine protection to be preserved from the Like Transgression.

From your Friends

Dated ye 18th of 4th mo 1783. - George Smith
Mary Smith

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of denial of Nathaniel Gifford and wife and inform them thereof report that they have given them a Copy of the minute of their denial and produced a Testimony as follows

Whereas Nathaniel Gifford and Mehitable his wife having had a Birthright amoungst Friends and under the care of this Meeting but by not adhearing to the dictates of Truth in their own hearts, and giving way to the Temtations of the Enimy hath fallen into the reproachful Sin of Fornication as appears by their having a Child soon after marriage, also they appearing Slack in attending Religious meetings, altho Friends bestowing much Labour in love to convince them of the Evil thereof and the incumbent duty of attending Religious meetings, but our Labours not having the desired Effect to friends Satisfaction and they remaining much amiss in attending meetings; therefore we are Concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against such conduct, hereby disowning them the said Nathaniel Gifford and Mehitable his wife from being in membership with us; yet that they may come to a Sight and Sence of their outgoings and return to the way of Truth is our Sincear desire.

Given forth and Signed in on behalf of our Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth this 21st of 6th month 1784

by Wm Anthony Jun Clerk
Mercy Slocum Clerk

Which is to State, which was Signed by the Clerk who is [illegible] 84 desired to cause the same to be read at the close of a first day meeting before next Monthly meeting and report to the same

The [illegible] appointed to [illegible] the [illegible] meetings [illegible] [illegible] a copy of a minute of this meeting before them report that they accomplished the same

John Howland produced a Receipt from the Yearly meeting Treasurer for [illegible] [illegible] shillings and nine pence on account of this meeting for the Yearly meeting Stock.

The Queries with answers to them from the Preparative meetings were read in this meeting and our friends [illegible] Russell Samuel Smith Jonathan [illegible] and William Russell are appointed to compile said answers and produce one from this meeting to the Quarterly meeting and prepare an account to the Quarterly meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to the adjournment of this meeting.

Collected [illegible] 1,, 5

This meeting is adjourned to the 2d day of next month at the close of the meeting for Worship.

Met by adjournment ye 2d day of ye 7th month 1784 The Representatives being called are all present

The friends appointed to compile the answers to the Queries having accomplished said business, and this meeting approving of the general answers, also have signed an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting all of which are forwarded to said Quarterly meeting by our representatives who are [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] and they to report next monthly meeting.

Abigail Briggs

The women inform they have admitted Abigail Briggs wife of Samuel Briggs into membership which this meeting concurs with.

John [illegible] produced in a bill to the amount of £2,,8,,0 for providing hay for the use of the Quarterly meeting 1784 which this meeting approves and the Treasurer is directed to pay the same when supplied with money.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 19th of ye 7th month 1784 The Representatives from the South [illegible] this meeting are William [illegible] and Stephen [illegible]; from the [illegible] Preparative meeting [illegible] and John [illegible] all present.

Visit of Hugh Judge Jos [illegible]

Our Friend Hugh Judge attended this meeting with a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of Wilminton in the County of New Castle upon Delaware dated ye 19th of ye 6th month 1784.

Also our Friend Joseph [illegible] attended this meeting as a Companion to the above mentioned friend having the concurrence of said Monthly meeting at Wilminton as expressed in said Certificate whose company and Certificate were to Satisfaction.

The friends appointed to treat with Giles Slocum Jun report that they have had further opportunit

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with him and he request the matter may be continued another month, it is accordingly continued under the same friends care who are to report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to treat and discover the sincerity of Lydia Allen and Joseph Hart in their condemning their misconduct report they have had an opportunity with the former which was some what satisfactory, yet the matter is referred under those and William Gifford and Elihu Gifford who are desired to make a more conclusionary report to next monthly meeting.

The clerk informs that the testimony of denial of Nathaniel Gifford and wife has not yet been read as directed he is therefore desired to cause the same to be read as heretofore directed and make report to next Monthly Meeting.

[illegible] a copy of a minute of this meeting in 15th of 12th month last with a few lines endorsed thereon from Saratoga Monthly Meeting signifying he resided some time and orderly attended meetings there.

The Friends appointed report they attended the Quarterly Meeting, and produced an Epistle therefrom and Transcripts of the following — one from London last year: one from Philadelphia last year: and one from Flushing on Long Island this year; and that from the yearly meeting this year together with the Extracts from the minutes from said yearly meeting all which was read in this meeting to satisfaction.

The Friends appointed to join the women friends in visiting those that neglect the attendance of our Religious meetings and those otherwise defective make report which is accepted as satisfactory — and is as followeth,

We your committee appointed to unite in labour in order to stir up those who are neglegent in the attendance of our religious meetings to a solid consideration of the dangerous situation they are in, that so an amendment herein may be discovered to our satisfaction and comfort; — We have visited divers families, and in the ability received have endeavoured to discharge our selves in which we find peace and satisfaction and hope it may prove useful to those visited.

To the Monthly meeting to be held in Dartmouth by ad-
journment [illegible] 6th mo 1784.

from your friends
Martha Gifford Thomas Hicks
Susan Gifford Wm Gifford
Joanna Gifford. James Davis.

Theodate Johnson

A Certificate was signed by the clerk directed to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island in behalf of Theodate Johnson daughter of James Johnson and Judith his wife. Signifying she is placed to live with a friend there; that she was a member of our Society.

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting being again read and weighty advices therein noticed: yet a further consideration thereof is referred to next mo. meeting.

The Overseers inform by way of the

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Preparative meeting that Benjamin Ricketson have attended a marriage or at an entertainment for a marriage, that was held out of the Unity of Friends, for which the [illegible] laboured with him [illegible] Satisfaction, whereupon we appoint Benj Gifford, John Rowland and [illegible] to labour further with him [illegible] and make report to next monthly meeting.

Jonathan Slocum gave in a paper condemning his misconduct for which he was disowned, therefore Elijah Gifford and Timothy Rowland are appointed to take a Solid opportunity with said [illegible] in order to discover his sincerity and make report to next monthly meeting.

Collected £1" 6" 1

Out of which the Treasurer has paid Caleb Green 13" 4 for a blank Book for Record [illegible] of this meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth [illegible] of 8th month 1784 The Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are Stephen [illegible] and Caleb Barker; from the North Preparative meeting are Caleb Green and Jonathan [illegible] all present.

Nathaniel Gifford requests a copy of the Testimony of his denial which the clerk is directed to furnish him with and make report to next monthly meeting.

The Women inform they have concluded to accept of Deborah [illegible] paper condemning her misconduct, provided she causeth it to be read publickly in the usual manner which this meeting concurs with.

Ruth [illegible] hath [illegible] a certificate with an endorsement from [illegible] Monthly meeting signifying she had attended with it there.

The friends appointed in the case of Silas Slocum [illegible] it is therefore continued under the same friends care [illegible] to report to next monthly meeting.

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of denial of Nathaniel Gifford and wife hath been read as directed.

The friends appointed to labour with Benjamin Ricketson report that they had an Opportunity with him which was in degree Satisfactory and said [illegible] in attending an Entertainment at a marriage out of the unity of Friends which is accepted for Satisfaction

The friends appointed report they having taken a Solid opportunity with Jonathan Slocum which was in degree Satisfactory; yet the matter is again continued under the same friends care to next monthly meeting they then to report.

The weighty advices from the Quarterly meeting by Epistle being again considered is recommended to the Solid attention and practical observance of Friends accordingly.

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The friends appointed in the case of Philip Allen and Joseph Hart desire the matter referred another month, it is accordingly continued under the same friends care and at next Monthly Meeting they are to make report.

The Overseers inform that Jonathan Tucker hath so far deviated from the Principles of Truth as to utter or deliver some vile and profane expressions, for which he hath been dealt with but did not condemn it to satisfaction therefore we appoint John Howland William Wood John Russell and William Gifford to take a solid opportunity with said Jonathan in order to labour with him for that and other his misconduct and report to next monthly meeting.

Caleb Green having this meeting in writing a Journey to Rhode Island and as far as Boston in order to visit some meetings and to visit his relations and expressly to visit some families of friends and desiring our concurrence with a few lines signifying the same we therefore approve of his proceeding he being a friend in unity and in good order, and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

Abraham Russell gave in a paper condemning his misconduct in joining in an Entertainment for a Marriage out of the order of friends we therefore appoint David Shepherd and Jonathan Hart to take a Solid opportunity with him in order to discover his Sincerity therein and report to next Monthly Meeting.

Collected £1" 4" 7 1/2
10" 3 1/2

Thomas Russell brought in an account against this meeting ~~£0..3..6~~ for schooling some poor children of this meeting amounting to [illegible] which the treasurer is directed to pay when in Stock.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of 9th month 1784 The Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are William Gardner and Jonathan Willbor from the North Preparative meeting are David Shepherd and Benjamin Chase are present.

Stephen Barker and family rec'd

Received a Removal Certificate from Sandwich Monthly meeting recommending Stephen Barker, his wife Mary and his son Samuel to this meeting as members of Society, and in degree of orderly lives.

The Clerk informs he hath signed and sent forward (by the hand of Samuel Gifford) a copy of the Testimony of denial of Nathaniel Gifford which is as directed.

The Committee appointed in the case of Jonathan Slocum Report they have made Some procedure therein and request the matter continued with an addition to the Committee; therefore Jonathan Willbor is added to them for that Service and they to report next monthly meeting.

Four of the Committee in the case of Philip Allen and Joseph Hart make Report that they have

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[illegible] with him [illegible] paper of acknowledgement which this meeting accordingly accepts for [illegible] and they direct said paper to be read publickly at the close of a first day meeting for worship and return said paper to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed on the case of [illegible] report that they [illegible] opportunity with [illegible] and [illegible] continued [illegible] friends with the Committee as they shall find freedom to take another opportunity with Giles and report to next monthly meeting.

Elizh
Sanford
a [illegible]

The Women inform they have admitted Elizabeth Sanford wife of Elisha Sanford into membership with us which we concur with.

The friends appointed to treat with Jonathan Tucker on his misconduct report that they have not accomplished said matter for want of opportunity, and desiring the matter refer'd, it is accordingly refer'd under their care and to report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to have a solid opportunity with Abraham [illegible] in order to discover his sincerity in condemning his misconduct report they have not had such an opportunity as he is gone some distance from home they are continued in that service and to report to next monthly meeting.

Wm. How
land and
Abigail
Wilbur
intention

William Howland and Abigail Wilbur declared their intentions of marriage with each other and were desired to wait [illegible] report to next monthly meeting.

William Sanford gave in a paper condemning his misconduct in neglecting the attendance of meetings and suing Benjamin Allen at the Law: whereupon William [illegible] Peleg Sanford and John [illegible] [illegible] and report to next monthly meeting.

Collected £1"2"1

This meeting adjourns to the first day of next month after meeting of worship.

[illegible] met by adjournment Representatives being called [illegible] present.

The friends [illegible] Each Preparative meeting [illegible] (which was signed by the clerk) to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who John [illegible] Benjamin [illegible]

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and John Howland and they to report next monthly meeting.

This meeting being informed that the Select meeting approves of the Friends appearance in the Ministry of James Davis and Rhoda Gifford. and Friends [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], in concluded with the concurrence of Womens meeting to recommend said James Davis and Rhoda Gifford to the Select Quarterly meeting as Ministers and also the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to said meeting.

James Davis and Rhoda Gifford recommended as Ministers

Thomas Hicks gave in a paper concerning his not informing himself so clearly as might have been [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Pumping Trade, which paper was read, but not being Satisfactory we appoint Seth Huddleston and John Howland to inspect into the matter and Treat with Thomas thereon and make report to next monthly meeting.

The Overseers gave in a complaint against John Howland (son of Benja) for using unbecoming and [illegible] Language to [illegible] Friends [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with him but he hath not given them Satisfaction, we therefore appoint George Smith and William Barker to labour further with him [illegible] and make report to next Monthly meeting.

The Overseers informs by writing of Preparative meeting that William [illegible] of Dartmouth hath fallen into the reproachful Sin of Fornication as appears by his own confession to them and they having [illegible] Testimony [illegible] him therefore we appoint William Barker and John Devoll to [illegible] his [illegible] and Treat further with him and if he [illegible] [illegible] Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of his denial and make report of the same to next Monthly meeting.

[illegible] a [illegible] [illegible]

Wm Russell recd by cert

from the Monthly meeting of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] of William Russell [illegible] is a member of our Society and [illegible] his [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth ye 18th of 10th month 1784 The Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are Peleg Gifford and George Smith from the North preparative meeting are Caleb Russell and William Gifford all Present

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report they all attended except Benjamin Smith 2d who being not well sent his reason for his non attendance which was accepted and said Representatives have produced an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting which hath been read to Satisfaction.

This meeting hath been informed that the papers of Thomas Allen and Stephen Dail hath been read according to direction of last monthly meeting and said papers returned to the meeting which are as follows

Dartmouth ye 18th ye 5th month 1784

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To the Monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth
Whereas I have practised in times past playing at cards [illegible] contrary to the good order of friends; and also in some degree [illegible] [illegible] my misconduct [illegible] [illegible] from such practice.

Your friend

Philip Allen

Dartmouth 15th of 5th month 1784.

To the Monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth
Whereas I have practised in times playing at cards [illegible] my misconduct [illegible] from such practices.

Your friend, [illegible]

[illegible] appointed to treat with Abraham [illegible] ment and that he gave them a good degree of satisfaction; therefore said Abraham's paper condemning his miscon[illegible] is accepted for satisfaction

The friends appointed in the case of [illegible]

The friends appointed to treat with Jonathan [illegible] and to report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to inquire into the [illegible] of William [illegible] report they have made inquiry and [illegible] in marriage,

The friends appointed in the case of William [illegible] report that they have made some [illegible] Benjamin [illegible] in some [illegible] that it is [illegible] report to next monthly meeting.

The friends concerned in the case of Silas Slocum report that some of them have paid him a visit, but not being able to make a conclusive report thereon it is continued to next monthly meeting they then to make report.

The Committee in the case of John [illegible] son of Benjamin: Report they have not accomplished that matter by reason of his being gone from home, they are therefore continued in that service and to make report when accomplished,

The committee in the case of William Russell of Bedford report that they have not had an opportunity,

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to join the appointment they are therefore continued in that Service and they to make Report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to inspect into the case of [illegible] report that he hath signed a paper [illegible] the same [illegible] acceptable for [illegible] which said paper having been read is accepted accordingly: provided he cause the Same to be publickly read in the usal manner and returne the Same to our next monthly meeting.

Ezra Russell rec'd [illegible]

Received a Certificate from the monthly meeting of [illegible] recommending Ezra Russell a young man under age to the care of this meeting as a member thereof.

William [illegible] and [illegible] bore appearance for their answer; which was, that they may proceed to take Each other in marriage Some convenient time time before next monthly meeting advising with the friends that are appointed to oversee the Same, who are William Anthony Jun and Samuel Smith and they to make report next monthly meeting.

We are informed by a letter from Saratoga monthly meeting that they have taken the necessary care in regard to Abraham Wood acknowledgment [illegible] that they think [illegible] accepting the Same; [illegible] by said paper of acknowledgment and the Clerk is desired to read the Same publickly as usual and make Report to next monthly meeting; and said Wood a Removal Certificate, if after inquiry they shall find that his outward affairs are settled to Satisfaction; and Seth Russell is added for that Service.

Joseph Wilson [illegible] informing this meeting desiring to come under friends care [illegible] are appointed to take an opportunity of Solid Conference with the Petitions in order to discover the motive of their request; they to join the women herein and to report to next monthly meeting.

Eliza Ann Sheldon disowned

The Women inform that Eliza Ann [illegible] now wife of Jonathan Sheldon hath married out of the Unity of Friends, and that they have disowned her which this meeting concurs with.

Joseph Austin informs that he intends to take a Journey to the Nine partners on business, and requested our concurrence which this meeting taking under consideration do concur therewith he being a member of our Society and the Clerk is desired to give him a Coppy of this minute.

Our Quarterly meeting having Proportioned to this meeting to raise the Sum of Sixten pounds Lawful money to supply the Quarterly and yearly meetings Stock; therefore Caleb Russell, Samuel Smith, William Gifford, John [illegible], Gideon [illegible] and Jonathan Wilbour are appointed to proportion said sum to each preparative meeting and draw Subscriptions for that purpose and make report next monthly meeting

Collected £1-10^{s}-4^{d}.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth [illegible] of 11th month, 1784. The Representatives [illegible] meeting are Caleb Tyson and Philip Trafford and those from the North Preparative meeting are Benjamin Tucker and Thomas Hicks are present.

The friends appointed in the case of [illegible] report that they have been [illegible] in that [illegible] the matter is not fully accomplished to satisfaction, they are therefore continued [illegible] to report next monthly meeting.

Thomas Hicks having returned his paper and report of its being read agreable to the direction of last monthly meeting, which is as follows

To the Monthly meeting to held 18th of 10th month 1784

Whereas I have [illegible] my mind and attention to go [illegible] in respect to [illegible] a matter of difference in so clear a means as I might have don and I believe would have been best which gave occasion for our Religious Society to be reproachfully spoken of which conduct I am sorry for and [illegible] by Condemnation

Thomas Hicks.

The friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Tucker make Satisfactory report in regard to him, he giving encouragement of reforming from the evil of his ways; and request said matter should be continued for Trial of his Sincerity it is accordingly continued, and said friends to have the inspection over him and to report next monthly meeting.

Jos Wilbor and wife rec'd

The friends appointed to confer with Joseph Willbore and Wife, respecting his petition make a Satisfactory report Report and that they think it may be Safe for to receive them into membership, we do therefore with the Joint concurrence of the Women Receive said Joseph Willbore and Wife into membership with us

The friends appointed in the case of William Sanford Jur report that the matter is not fully Settled to Satisfaction, they are therefore continued to Endeavour to the same It be accomplished agreeable to good Order and to make report next monthly meeting.

The friends having the care of the matter in regard to Giles Slocum Jur not making a full and conclusive report in regard to said matter: It is therefore continued to next monthly meeting under the same care as heretofore and then they to make Report.

The friends appointed in the case of William Russell make Report that the matter is not accomplished by reason that one of them being unwell, they are therefore continued in the same Service and Seth Russell is added in the room of William Barker who is unwell and is excused and they to report to next monthly meeting.

Elizh W d

The women inform that they have concluded to deny Elizabeth Wing Widow for attending Separate meetings [illegible] which this meeting concurs with.

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The Friends appointed to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that they accomplishd in a agreeably.

The Friends appointed to report on the Money [illegible] Preparative meeting report that they have divided the [illegible] equally between them and [illegible] [illegible] Subscriptions in order to [illegible] the same. Therefore Prince Potter [illegible] Russell David Shepherd Benjamin Smith Caleb Barker and Timothy [illegible] are appointed to take said Subscriptions and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] total to Collected when they have Collected the Same, Who are desired to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] their Commission [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
Collected £1,, ,,

This meeting adjourns to the 24th of this instant after meeting of worship.

Held by adjournment the 24th of 11th month 1784. The Representatives being called are present except Joseph Tucker, who hath sent an excuse for his absence to satisfaction.

The friends appointed in the case of Abraham Wood not having accomplished that matter, [illegible] them not being well, Request it continued which is accordingly referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as before and then they to make report.

The women friends inform that they have received Anna Cornell into membership with us which this meeting concurs with.

This meeting taking under consideration the [illegible] in regard to the Titles of our Meeting House and Lands do appoint Caleb Barker John Howland and Elijah Gifford or either two of them with ones in addition to the former Trustees to hold said Lands, and do also appoint our friends Caleb Russell Joseph Barker and Jonathan Wilcox to see that [illegible] be drawn for them in the manner and form that the meeting for Sufferings have agreed and concluded upon and they to make report next monthly meeting.

Jonathan Wilcox hath handed in an account to this meeting for keeping Hannah Barker [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the amount £1,,1,,6 which allowed by the Overseers of the poor this meeting approves thereof and orders the Treasurer to pay the Same when Supplied with money.

Friends in Allens Neck and there away have proposed to have some meetings for Worship held at the widow Susannah Allen's in the Ensuing Winter Season, which this meeting taking under consideration; our friends [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Gifford and Stephen Buffinton are appointed to visit those friends in said Neck either collectively or individually as they think best, and make report next [illegible] to next monthly meeting whether it may be for the promotion of the Cause of Truth or not and if granted how many meetings shall think best and they to join the women herein.

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The committee appointed some time past to [illegible] with those [illegible] of dealing in Spiritous Liquors, made Report that Benjamin Howland 3d is in that Practice and altho they have [illegible] with him thereon in a [illegible] manner yet he continues therein in such a manner as is reproachful to our Society: therefore this meeting appoints [illegible] to [illegible] the said Benjamin in order for his restoration from such a practice and they to report to next monthly meeting.

The time of the School Committee of appointment being Expired they [illegible] longer and George Smith and William Wood are added to them

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At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth 20th of 12th mo. 1784 The Representatives from the [illegible] are [illegible] and [illegible]; from the [illegible] Meeting are [illegible] Potter and Joseph Austin all Present.

Com to visit [illegible]

One of the Committee appointed [illegible] Report that they [illegible] of the Committee is desired to lay the said case before the Overseers and are directed to inspect therein and the Committee is [illegible]

The friend appointed in the case of Jonathan [illegible] it is continued under the same friends care who are desired to accomplish their appointment and report to next monthly meeting.

[illegible]

Two of the friends appointed in the case [illegible] report that they have had another opportunity with him [illegible] and Friends having discharged themselves towards him, do hereby disown him from membership with us, and Elijah [illegible] is directed to inform him thereof and report to next monthly meeting.

[illegible]

The Friends appointed in the case of William Russell of Bedford Report that they that they have taken a further opportunity with him [illegible] and report to next monthly meeting.

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[illegible] Gidley
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The women inform the [illegible] to [illegible] Annis Gidley which this meeting concurs therewith.

E[illegible]

The Womens [illegible] the denial of Elisabeth [illegible] which was read [illegible] and Signed by the Clerk who is directed to cause the same to be read publickly in the usual manner before next monthly meeting and report to the same.

The Clerk reports that Abraham Wood's paper of acknowledgment hath been read as directed.

A removal certificate was signed by the Clerk in behalf of Abraham Wood, directed to the monthly meeting of Saratoga, informing his acknowledgment was accepted and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in satisfaction respecting [illegible] moved and settled there.

The Committee to see the titles of our meeting houses and Lands made secure &c. Report, they gone into that matter and [illegible] in [illegible], they are therefore continued in that Service and to make report next monthly meeting.

The School Committee with the addition [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in that Service [illegible] [illegible] appoint in their Stead.

The friends appointed to [illegible] with Benjamin Howland 3 respecting his keeping a Tavern &c. Report that they have treated with him accordingly; but he not giving them the desired satisfaction; yet think it best to be continued, and [illegible] [illegible] with; he is accordingly continued under the same friends care, who are to report next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to visit Friends in [illegible] [illegible] and consider of their request for holding meetings there, report that they have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to appointment and think it best for them to have some meetings granted to be held there this meeting taking the matter under Consideration do with the concurrence of the women grant said request so far as for them to be held as follows; Two first days meeting in each month, that is one on the first day next before, and one on the first day after our Monthly meeting - and mid-week meeting [illegible] in each month [illegible] [illegible] meetings are usually held for Worship; only to be continued till the monthly meeting in the [illegible] month next; under the care of Elijah Gifford Timothy Gifford and Jonathan Willbore who are to report to this meeting at the Expiration of said Time.

The friends appointed to treat with John Howland (son of Benja) produced a paper from him condemning his misconduct which is accepted [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to cause the same to be read in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] manner, and return it with report to the same to next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed in the care of Building meeting House at [illegible] report that they have attended to the matter, and concluded on the Size to be 48 feet by 36 and computed the Cost to about 450 and think proper that Friends come to a Subscription to that purpose. Therefore we appoint [illegible] Russell, [illegible] Howland, Barnabas Russell Edmond [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by way of subscription such sums of money as friends may give to the Building [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] accom-
1784 plished as soon a conveniency of Circumstances will admit, and report from time to time of their proceedings therein.

This meeting is adjourned to the 2d [illegible] ing instant after meeting of worship.

Mett by adjournment. The Representatives being called are all present;

The friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Tucker Report that they have had another opportunity with him which was not much to satisfaction; yet desire the matter continued; it is accordingly refer'd till next monthly meeting they then to make report.

The Friends appointed in the case of William Sanford Jun Report that it is not settled to satisfaction they are therefore continued to use further endeavours that it be accomplished [illegible] and they to make report next monthly meeting.

The South Preparative meeting in their [illegible] they have [illegible] sent to the Treasurer of this meeting £0..12..6
And the North Preparative meeting 0..15..6
1..8..1

The overseers inform that [illegible] Mosher [illegible] walks [illegible] the good order [illegible] among Friends [illegible] a marriage [illegible] out of the Order of Friends and appears far from that Simple plainness we profess much neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, for all which he hath been Laboured with but did not give Satisfaction therein therefore we appoint Benjamin Howland 2, and [illegible] to treat further with him thereon and report to next monthly meeting.

The Queries being answered in each Preparative meeting, from which general Answers were prepared and read in this meeting. Also an Epistle prepared for the Quarterly meeting, all which are forwarded to said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are [illegible] and Caleb Green and they to report next Monthly meeting.

[illegible] an account [illegible] appeared at our last Quarterly meeting to the amount of £3..0..0 on account [illegible] Quarterly meeting and the Treasurer is ordered to pay said [illegible] when Supplied with money.

The Friends appointed to [illegible] Report that they have collected in the South Preparative meeting £5..5..11
North Preparative meeting [illegible]..3
Total 12..1..2

Which they have paid to the Treasurer; and the Preparative meetings are desired to continue their subscriptions till the sum of 16 pounds be raised.

In concurrence of women Friends a

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Hannah
Gifford
[illegible]

above Testimony was Signed by the Clerk on behalf of Hannah Gif-
ford wife of Wm Gifford to ye Wo meeting of accoaxet.

Humphry Smith requested that Wm Anthony Jr & Caleb Russell be appointed to settle accounts with the Treasurer and with the Overseers of this meeting in order they may be settled & report next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer is directed to pay the above said sum of £2:1:2 and add 12/10 out of the Treasury three to the Representatives to the Quarterly meeting & report to next monthly meeting: the above Representatives are to send it to the Quarterly meeting Treasurer and Report of the Same to this meeting.

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At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth ye 17th of ye month 1785. The meeting being Convened, the Representatives named from the Preparative meetings are from the South Joseph Tucker & [illegible]; North Joseph Russell and Humphry Smith, who being called are all Present.

The Friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Slocum Report that they have not accomplished the same, and desire it Continued, it is accordingly continued under the Same friends care who are desired to accomplish the same and report next monthly meeting.

Elijah Gifford informs that he hath not acquainted Eliz Slocum Jr of his denial as directed he is therefore continued in that Service and Report to next monthly meeting.

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of denial of Elisabeth Wing hath been read as directed, which is as follows,

Whereas Elisabeth Wing widdow to Samuel Wing Late of Dartmouth deceased, Having had her Education and made Profession with Friends, hath So far [illegible] from [illegible] our Profession as to attend Such meetings as are held out of the Unity of Friends and we having treated with her in love in order for her Restoration and return; but she not adhering to our advice and Counsel given, but still continuing and persist therein and to Justify her Said Practice: Therefore we do publickly disown her the Said Elisabeth Wing from being a member of our Religious Society, until by a Sincear return and Reformation she shall be restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting of men and women friends held in Dartmouth ye 20th, 12 month 1784

By Wm Anthony Jr Clerk
Mercy Slocum Clerk.

The Committee to inspect and see the Titles of our meeting Houses and Lands made Secure Report that they have made Some Progress therein, but as it will take Some time to Complete it desire it continued; the Same friends are therefore continued in that Service and to report when ready.

Part of the Committee in the case of Benjamin Howland 3d Report that they have had further opportunity with him, But not received much Satisfaction; yet the matter

[illegible]

is continued under the same friends care who are [illegible] monthly meeting

[illegible] to be read as directed.

The Friends appointed in the case of [illegible] accordingly continued under the same Friends care who are directed [illegible] monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of William Sanford Jun Report they have made further progress therein, but not being accomplished it is continued under their care who are to report to next monthly meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting [illegible] satis-factory reason of his non attendance, Said Representatives produced an an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting which was read in this meeting to satisfaction, and the further consideration of it is referred to [illegible] meeting's Treasurer for £12"14"0 the money sent from this meeting, and the account of [illegible]

Caleb Greene returned a copy of a minute of this meeting in the 8th mo. Last he having returned from his Journey and [illegible].

The Friends appointed to revise this meetings minutes &c not having accomplished it they are continued in that Service and to report to next monthly meeting.

Collected at the South Preparative meeting the Sum of	0"6"3½
At the North the Sum of	0"14"4
Total	1"0"7½

Sam^l Weaver [illegible]

The Committee appointed to treat with Samuel Weaver [illegible] Friends; therefore with the concurrence of the Women Friends we [illegible] Samuel Weaver from being a member of our Society, [illegible] is desired to inform him.

Caleb Greene Informs that the Testimony of [illegible] William Russell [illegible] read as directed, William being present at the reading thereof. Which is as follows,

Whereas William Russell (son of [illegible]) having made profession with us the People called Quakers; but through inattention to the dictates of Truth, hath so far deviated from the Good Principles which we profess; as to fall into the gross Sin of Fornication, as appears by his own Confession; and Friends having laboured with him on that account, and he not en-deavouring the desired Satisfaction; therefore for the Clearing of Truth and Friends from such reproach we are concerned to give forth this as a Publick Testimony against him the said William Russell

1 mo 1785 conduct, hereby disowning and disallowing him from being a member of our Religious Society, untill he may be returned with a Sincere and a Sense of his being misconducted, and a condemned Repentance there in the way of Truth, which is our Sincere desire.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of the Monthly Meeting of the People called Quakers held in Dartmouth the 20th of 12th month 1784

By - Wm Anthony Jun Clerk.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of 2nd month 1785 The Representatives from the South Town meeting are Giles Slocum and Stephen Gifford; from the Ponds John Russell and Seth Huddleston, who were called and present.

Stephen Gifford, reports that he hath informed Giles Slocum Jun of his denial as directed.

Eliakim Mosher's Certif

Received a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of Pembrook in behalf of Eliakim Mosher Signifying that he hath served out his apprenticeship there and conducted in a good degree orderly, and clear of marriage Engagements. Which is accepted.

The Friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Slocum report that they have had Several opportunitys with him and that he gave them some Satisfaction; but for further proof of sincerity; the same Friends are continued for that Service, and take such further steps therein as may appear best; and report to next Monthly meeting.

Joseph Austin returned a Coppy of a minute of this meeting he having returned from his Journey to the Nine partners.

Rebecca [illegible]

A Removal Certificate in behalf of Rebecca Rotch Widow of Joseph Rotch, directed to the Northern district of Philadelphia was read and Signed by the Clerk expressing that she is a member of our Society; and hath Settled her affairs to Satisfaction.

The Friends appointed in the case of William Sandford Jun desires that matter continued it is accordingly refer'd under their care tiel next monthly Meeting they then to report.

The Committy in the case of Benjamin [illegible] report that they have had another Some opportunity with him; but not to Satisfaction; yet the same friends are continued to labour further with him therein and make report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to revise the minutes and settle accounts with the Treasurer Report that they have accomplished the last minutes and left them with William Anthony to Record, and have settled accompts with the Treasurer up to the 18th of the first month 1785 and since this meeting hath given him orders to pay out to the amount of £10-5-8½ more than he is Supplied with money to pay as yet; consequently this meeting is in Debt that Sum.

The Women inform that they have

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[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] which this meeting concurs with.

Caleb Greene reports that he hath informed Susannah Mosher of her denial as directed.

The four weeks [illegible] of the Service of the [illegible] [illegible] next Monthly Meeting [illegible] of the business therein.

Abraham Mosher informing he intends a journey to [illegible] with a view of doing some business there, [illegible] this meeting concurs with, he being a member of this Meeting, and the Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this Minute.

[illegible] requests a certificate [illegible] Monthly Meeting of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] are appointed to take the necessary care therein, and [illegible] to prepare a certificate [illegible] the approbation of this meeting.

[illegible] requesting a certificate to the Monthly Meeting of [illegible], he being about to remove there, [illegible] and William [illegible] are appointed to take the necessary care therein and report to next Monthly Meeting.

Jon. Tuck.
[illegible]

The Friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Tucker, report that they have treated further with him on his misconduct, but that he hath not given them satisfaction; and produced a draught of a Testimony against him, which with the concurrence of the Women Friends was signed by the Clerk, who is desired to cause the same to be read in the usual public manner and report to next Monthly Meeting; and the same friends are desired to inform Jonathan thereof; which testimony is as follows,

Whereas Jonathan Tucker having had his Birth and Education amongst us the people called Quakers; but for want of [illegible] to the dictates of his own Conscience has been guilty of making use of unbecoming Language; and also frequently and unnecessarily [illegible] drinking spiritous Liquors, all which being inconsistent with our religious profession; we having laboured with him for the above offences but not to [illegible] satisfaction; therefore we give this paper as a publick testimony against such conduct hereby disowning him the said Jonathan Tucker from being a member of our religious Society until through unfeigned repentance he shall return to the way of truth which is our sincere desire.

Given forth and signed by and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 21st of 2nd Month 1785

By William Anthony jun. Clerk

The Friends [illegible] appointed inform that they have raised the remainder of this [illegible] of money for Yearly Meeting and Quarterly Meeting and paid

2 mo 1785 the Same to the Treasurer of this meeting.

This meeting concluding to make Sale of some of the wood standing on this meeting's Land; at the discretion of Samuel Smith, Caleb Slocum, Thomas Hicks and Gideon Howland who are appointed for that Service and they to make report of their proceedings therein from time to time.

The Preparative meetings in their account inform they have collected and paid in to the Treasurer
viz from the South 0..15..0
from the North 0..18..11

This meeting is adjourned to the 9th Instant after the meeting for Worship.

3 month 9th Mett by adjournment the Representatives being called Caleb Slocum and Stephen Gifford present; [illegible] absent not any reason sent of their absence.

One of the Friends appointed to [illegible] for a Certificate report that they have made the necessary enquiry therein and find no Sufficient Obstacle to granting his request, and therefore produced a Certificate which upon some alteration was Signed by the Clerk.

Part of the Committee to make Sale of wood report that it is their opinion that a considerable quantity may yet be disposed of, tho they have sold one hundred cords [illegible] at four shillings [illegible] per cord Standing. And that if Friends would assist in cutting a quantity to the Landing it may be sold to more advantage, therefore said Committee are desired to draught & Promote Subscriptions for Friends to cut and cart as they shall be suited; in order to defray the charge of this meeting and bring said Subscriptions to next monthly meeting.

3 mo 1785 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 21st of 3rd mo 1785. The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings are from the South (Philip Trafford & Elijah Gifford North) Benja Potter & Jonathan Hunt; who being called are all present.

Overseers The choice of overseers being referred from last mo meeting to this. Benjamin Taber, Joseph Austin, Stephen Buckman, Edward Gifford, William Gifford & Jonathan Hart are appointed for that service for the year ensuing or till others may be appointed in their stead.

The friends appointed in the Case of Jonathan Slocum report; that they have not all had opportunity so as to accomplish that matter & desire it continued, it is accordingly referred under their care & they to make report to next monthly meeting.

The committee appointed in the

3 mo 1778. case of Ebenezer Chase report that they have not accomplished [illegible] [illegible] they are continued in the [illegible] to report the next Monthly meeting.

The Clerk informs that the Testimony [illegible] the Marriage of Jonathan Tucker hath been read as directed & the Committee also inform that Jonathan hath been informed thereof.

The Committee in the case of [illegible] [illegible] under the same Friends care who are to report to next monthly meeting.

In concurrence with the Womens meeting a Testimony of the denial of Eunice Russell wife of William Russell of Bedford was signed by our Clerk.

Visitor, Ann Jessop. Our Friend Ann Jessop [illegible] Monthly meeting and Quarterly meeting of the 8th month last which were read in this Meeting to satisfaction [illegible] to satisfaction.

[illegible] of the adjournment of this Monthly meeting of the 8th month last which were satisfactory.

[illegible]

of this Meeting 1 " 2

The North Preparative Meeting 18 " 5

Total 1 " 9 7

The Queries were read with the Answers from the Preparative Meetings and [illegible] are appointed to [illegible] and bring to the adjournment of this meeting, with an Account to this Meeting, with an account to the Quarterly Meeting

Elisha Mosher remd. A Removal Certificate was Signed by the Clerk in behalf of Elisha Mosher to the Monthly meeting of [illegible] respecting Marriage.

Children of Jethro Russell. With the Concurrence of the Womens [illegible] [illegible] children [illegible] the Childrens Names are [illegible] Mary and [illegible]

This meeting is adjourned to the 2d of next month at the 11th hour.

4th month 2d Met by adjournment. The [illegible] being called are all present.

Caleb Greene appointed. The Year of the service of the Clerk being expired and William Anthony jun having served this Meeting as Clerk for some years to satisfaction therefore Caleb Greene is appointed Clerk for the year ensuing, or till another be appointed in his place.

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The Friends appointed in the case of William Sandford Jun report, that it is not accomplished and desire it continued, it is accordingly referred under the same Friends care, to next Monthly meeting, they then to report.

A Proposal from this Meeting in concurrence with the Women, was forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting that it be recommended to the Yearly Meeting, whether the answering the Queries once a year would not be more useful, than every Quarter, or at least; that some of the Principal ones only be answered at each Quarter.

One of the Friends appointed to compile the answers to the Queries and prepare an account to the Quarterly Meeting, reports that he with the other Friends took the necessary care therein and produced said Answers, which were read in this Meeting together with the account or Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, after making what appeared to be necessary alterations, were approved and forwarded by the Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, who are James Davis, Caleb Green & Elijah Gifford, who are to make report to next Monthly meeting.

Duties of
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Overseers

As the service of the Overseers is not pointed out to them, in any manner particular in the Minute of their appointment, the following is concluded to be a necessary addition for that purpose, viz. They are desired to meet together frequently by themselves, in as united a manner as they can, and endeavour to center down to their own Gifts and Measure in order to get under a due Sense of the Weight of the Work, assigned them; and under this Engagement of mind to keep up a Careful Watch and Inspection over themselves and the several Members of this Meeting to see that the Cause and Testimony of Truth be kept up and maintained; and where any shall appear faulty or offending or walk disorderly, endeavour to deal and labour with them, in order to discover to them the Error of their ways; but if such cannot be reclaimed and they appear manifestly guilty of the Matter in charge, then give Information in writing to this Meeting of the state of the Case and circumstances attending it; and they are particularly desired to watch and guard against and discourage, that tale bearing detracting spirit so prevalent among us, rendering report to this Meeting of the progress of their Service from Time to Time.

The Committee to sell Wood, produced a draught of Subscriptions for Building and Seating which was read and signed by the Clerk, and they are to proceed therein when it may appear best.

The Overseers inform that Richard Lapham son of Nicholas, hath far departed from that simple plainness that we profess in several respects, particularly in tying his hair with a Riband, for which he hath been laboured with by said Overseers, but he not giving them satisfaction — therefore Philip Gifford and William Anthony Jun are appointed

3 mo. 1785 [illegible] their opportunity and [illegible] [illegible] further [illegible] and report to next Monthly meeting.

The minutes of the meeting in the 4th month do not appear upon the book of original records.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of the 5 month 1785. The Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are Benjamin Howland 2d and George Smith from the North Prince Potter and Seth Russell, who being called are present.

The Committee in the case of Jonathan Soule, report that they have made further progress therein; yet the obstacles for the accomplishment thereof are not removed to satisfaction, & that it is their judgment he should be disowned from this Meeting and [illegible] having the same into consideration, do [illegible] the same accordingly, and the same Friends are [illegible] to inform him of the reasons thereof.

Ebenezer Chase [illegible]

A Removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk directed to the Monthly meeting of Swansey in behalf of Ebenezer Chase signifying he is a member, and settled his outward affairs to satisfaction.

The Friends appointed to treat with [illegible] Chapman on his misconduct report, that they have not yet had an opportunity with him, it is therefore referred under their care; with [illegible] [illegible] next Monthly meeting, they then to make report.

Abigail [illegible] [illegible]

In concurrence with the Women's Testimony of Disownment of Abigail [illegible] wife of [illegible] [illegible] was read and signed by the Clerk and Wm Anthony jr is appointed to read the same in the usual public manner and report to next Monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of Wm [illegible] report that they have [illegible] [illegible], but not accomplished it to satisfaction; it is therefore continued under the same Friends care who are to report to next Monthly meeting.

The Committee in the case of Benjamin Howland 3d report, that some further opportunity with him [illegible] that he signified he should continue in his Practice, yet at the desire of some Friends, the matter is continued under the same Friends care as heretofore, who are desired to labour further with him and report to next Monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to enquire into James [illegible] clearness and conversation respecting Marriage report that they find nothing sufficient to hinder their Proceeding.

The Friends appointed to write to the [illegible] [illegible] for a removal Certificate for Stephen [illegible] and Family report, that they have not yet accomplished it

5 mo 1785 they are therefore continued to accomplish it and report to next Mo meeting.

[illegible] Allen and [illegible] Howland junr appeared for their answer, which is, that we find nothing sufficient to hinder their proceeding to take each other in marriage at some convenient time between this and next Monthly meeting, advising with the Friends this meeting appoints to see said Marriage orderly solemnized, who are Wm Anthony junr and Elijah Gifford who are to report to next Mo meeting.

Obadiah Beard [illegible] The Friends appointed to take a solid opportunity with Obadiah Beard report that they have [illegible] him, in which they found a good degree of satisfaction — he is therefore with the concurrence of the Women readmitted into Membership with us and Wm Anthony junr is appointed to inform him thereof.

Caleb Barker appd Treasurer The Treasurer having removed some distance Caleb Barker is appointed for that service, for the year ensuing, or till some other may be appointed in his stead, and Wm Anthony junr and Samuel Smith are appointed to settle Accounts with the former Treasurer and report to next Mo meeting.

The Overseers inform that Job Wood son of John [illegible] and giving way to a vain and wanton mind getting into [illegible] company [illegible] by which he hath so far departed from our chaste Principles, as to [illegible] to come under the scandalous report of being guilty of the reproachful Sin of Fornication, by the accusation of [illegible] daughter of [illegible], he the said Job having been labored with [illegible] denying said crime, therefore Joseph Gifford, Samuel Smith & Caleb Russell are appointed to enquire into the State of the Case and labour therein as way may open and Report to next Mo meeting.

[illegible] Eddy and family recd by Cert Received a removal Certificate from the Monthly meeting of [illegible] in favour of [illegible] Eddy his wife Anna and their Children, Namely John Job, Mary and Sarah signifying they are Members, and their outward affairs are settled to [illegible] satisfaction which is accepted, they having removed and settled among us.

The Overseers inform that it appears to them that [illegible] and [illegible] are going in the unwarrantable practice of gunning at [illegible], for which they laboured with them, but they continuing in it, therefore Wm Anthony junr Wm Gifford & John Wood are appointed to treat further with them thereon, and report to next Mo meeting.

[illegible] was appointed as an addition to the Friends for [illegible] & [illegible] to our Meeting house [illegible].

The [illegible] Quarterly Meeting in their account

[illegible] collected & paid to the former Treasr	10
The [illegible] collected and handed to the Present Treasr	1 " 0 " 3
Total	£ 1 " 10 " 3

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 6th month 1785. The Representatives from the [illegible] Preparative meeting are Thomas Russell and Joseph Tucker from the North [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] Representatives all present.

Wm Tripp and family rec'd by Certif.

Received a removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of [illegible] recommending Wm Tripp and Wife Elizabeth [illegible], with their Children, namely [illegible], [illegible], Lydia and [illegible] they having removed within the Compass of this Meeting to live which is accepted.

The Friends appointed to treat further with Richd Lapham, report, that he going to Sea deprived them of an Opportunity of treating with him thereon, it is therefore referred under the same Friends care till next mo. meeting, they then to report.

Wm Anthony Junr reports that he hath read the Testimony of Denial of Abigl Cornel wife of [illegible] Cornel according to the Directions of last Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed in the Case of Wm Sandford Junr report that the Matter between him and Benjamin Allen is settled by Arbitration this Meeting therefore concludes to accept of his Paper condemning his Misconduct for Satisfaction

Part of the Committee in the Case of Benja Howland 2d report they have had with other friends a Solid Opportunity with him, and that he desired it may be continued, it is accordingly referred under the same Friends care till next mo meeting they then to make report.

William Anthony Jur reported that he informed Obadiah Beard of his readmittance into Membership as desired last Mo meeting.

Marriage of Jas Allen and S Tallm

One of the Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Marriage of James Allen and Sarah Tallman, reports that he attended their Marriage and according to his account it was accomplished in a decent orderly manner and that Elijah Gifford the other Friend, [illegible] not attend by reason of sickness.

The Committee in the Case of Joseph [illegible] and [illegible] desire that matter continued till next Mo meeting, which is accordingly referred under their Care, they then to report.

Anna Gifford Minute for service.

Anna Gifford informing that she hath it on her Mind to attend the Quarterly Meeting of [illegible], and some of the Meetings [illegible], and this Meeting having it under consideration, and approve thereof, she being a Minister in Unity and her Publick Testimony approved among us, and the Clerk is desired to furnish her with a Copy of this Minute.

Thomas [illegible] gave in a Paper condemning his misconduct in going into Company, where was Music and Dancing, and there drinking so as to unfit him for business; Whereupon we appoint our friends David Shepherd Caleb Russell and Jno Howland to take a Solid Opportunity with him, and make inspection, in order to discover his Sincerity and report to next Mo meeting.

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Benjⁿ Allen (son of Philip) hath given in a Paper condemning his falling into the reproachful Sin of Fornication since walking out of the Unity of Friends, Thomas Lawton & Thomas Hicks are appointed to take a suitable Opportunity with said Benjⁿ in order to discover his Sincerity and report to next Mo. meeting.

The Queries were read with the Answers from each Preparative Meeting and James Davis Jr & Sumner Smith are appointed to compose said Answers from this Meeting, prepare an Account to the Quarterly Meeting, and bring to the Adjournment of this Meeting.

The South Preparaⁿ in their Acct inform that they have collected & sent to the Treasurer 11..10½
North Preparᵃ meeting 13.6
£1" 4

This Meeting adjourns to the 1st day of next month at the close of the meeting for Worship.

7mo 1st Met according to Adjournment. The Representatives being called are all present, except Seth Shearman who sent a satisfactory reason in Writing of his Absence.

The Friends appointed in the Case of Stephen Buffinton's Certificate, report, that the Matter is not fully accomplished they are therefore continued in said service and to report to next Monthly meeting.

One of the Comtee to settle accounts with the former Treasurer made report in writing "that he settled his acct to the 23rd of 6th month last, and that it appears that he hath paid out on this Meetings account £3.10.9½ more than he was supplied with Money to pay" and the present Treasurer is desired to pay the same, as soon as supplied with sufficiency of money.

One of the Committee appointed in the case of Job Wood, informs that they have not all had opportunity with him, but they have made some progress therein and therefore desire the Matter continued; accordingly Continued under the same care till the next Monthly meeting they then to report.

Received Advice from the Meeting for Sufferings dated the 8th of the 6th month last, wherein they desire, that one of the first class of Poor, (of any in the Monthly meeting) may be sent to the yearly meetings School; this Meeting taking it into consideration, do commit the care and oversight thereof to the Overseers of the Poor and School Committee, who are to report next Mo. meeting.

It appearing to this Meeting that Francis Rich moved from this Meeting without Certificate, and being now often within the Compass of Providence Mo. Meeting, Caleb Greene & Joseph Mason are therefore appointed to write to said Meeting; what may appear to them necessary and report

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The Friends appointed to compile the Answers to the Queries, having prepared them with an Account to the Quarterly Meeting, which upon being read was approved and signed at the which were sent forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our representatives, who are our friends Thomas Hicks, Jonathan Hart & Benj^n Chase, and they to make report to next Monthly meeting.

This Meeting is informed by writing from Providence Mo meeting that Francis Rotch hath resided for some time within the compass of this Meeting without a removal Certificate, desiring us to take some care in that respect, and if it appears best that he have one, that we acquaint them thereof, we therefore appoint Caleb Russell and [illegible] to take the necessary care therein, and make report to next monthly meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 7th month 1785. The Representatives from the South Preparative Meeting are Abiel Gifford and Caleb Barker, from the North Caleb Russell and Seth Huddlestone, all present

The Friends appointed in the case of Richard Lapham, report that they have not yet had opportunity with him; and desire the Matter deferred; it is accordingly continued under same Friends care, who are to report to next Monthly meeting.

Rhoda Sherman rec^d

The Women inform that they have concluded to receive Rhoda Sherman, daughter of William, into Membership with us, which this Meeting concurs with.

Peleg Gifford, reports that he hath informed William Gifford jun^r that he hath informed W^m; as desired last Monthly meeting.

The Committee in the case of Benj^a Rowland J^r report, that they have had the Matter under Notice, and some of them had another opportunity with him, and that they think best the Matter be continued; it is accordingly continued under the same Friends care till next Monthly meeting they then to report.

The Committee in the Case of Joseph Hart and Philip Allen report that they have Opportunity with them and said Com^ee desire the Matter may be continued another Month; it is accordingly deferred to next Monthly meeting under the same Friends Care, they then to make report.

The Friends appointed in the Case of Thomas Aikin, report, that they have not had opportunity with him and desire the Matter continued which is accordingly continued under their care till next Monthly meeting they then to report.

The Committee in the Case of Benjamin Allen, son of Philip dec^d, report that they have taken care of that Matter; yet desire it deferred; which is accordingly continued under their Care till next Monthly meeting, they then to report.

The Friends appointed to write to Providence Monthly meeting, respecting Francis Rotch removal,

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that they have written to that Meeting, desiring them to make answer to this Meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of Stephen Gifford's Certificate, report, that it is not accomplished, they are therefore continued in that Service and to report to next Monthly Meeting.

Two of the Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report, that they attended but that Jonathan Hall did not, by reason of indisposition of body as this Meeting is informed; that he endeavoured to send his Excuse in writing, which failed of conveyance, and is to the Satisfaction of this Meeting.

The Friends appointed in the Case of Shubael Bunker Junr report, that they have had an Opportunity with him, and it is their Opinion that he may have a Certificate, they are therefore directed write to Nantucket Mo. Meeting what appears to them necessary thereon, and report to next Monthly meeting.

Jas Davis Minute for [illegible]

Our Friend James Davis informs that he has a Concern to attend Sandwich Mo. meeting, next to be held at Falmouth, desiring Friends Concurrence therewith, and this Meeting taking the same into consideration, do with the concurrence of the Women, approve thereof, he being a Minister in unity and his Public Testimony approved: and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this Minute.

The Committee in the case of Job Devol report as follows; Pursuant to appointment of the Monthly Meeting we have inquired into the Matter of which Job Devol is accused, and have had several opportunities of conference with him, and have endeavoured [illegible] convince of the same, and he declining to face the young Woman who accused him, in order to make his innocence appear, therefore we have to report, that he hath not satisfied us that he is clear of the Fact laid to his charge, altho' he still denies it, we therefore submit the Matter to this Meeting, believing we have discharged ourselves therein.

Dated the 17th of 1month 1785.

Caleb Russell
Joseph Gifford
Saml Smith.

Job Devoll disowned

which is accepted and this Meeting, after weightily and tenderly considering thereon, concludes with the Concurrence of the Women, to deny said Job, and the same Friends are desired to draw a Testimony of his Denial, inform him thereof and report it to next Mo meeting.

The Overseers inform that Joseph Russell son of Timothy is guilty of the Sin of Fornication, by his own Confession, and they having bestowed some labour on him thereon, and laid it before this Meeting - therefore we appoint Saml Smith and Benjn Howland 2d to treat further with him thereon and report to next Mo. meeting.

David Shepherd Junr requests a removal Certificate for himself Wife and Children to Sandwich Mo meeting he having removed within the Compass of that Monthly meeting.

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to be: Joseph Austin and Benjamin Tucker appointed to join the Women, take the necessary care therein and report to next Mo. Meeting.

The So. Preparative meeting [illegible] informs that they have collected and paid to the Treasurer £0..15..9
The North 13..4
1..9..1

The Friends to attend the Quarterly Meeting produced an Epistle therefrom which was read in this meeting to satisfaction, and the matter respecting the raising [illegible] of Quarterly meetings Stock is referred to next Mo meeting; received also the Epistle from London to our Yearly meeting together with our Yearly meetings Epistle and those from [illegible] and Philadelphia that from London was read to satisfaction, and the reading the others is referred to next Mo meeting, at the opening thereof.

[illegible] and [illegible] are appointed to provide [illegible] as may appear necessary for the next Quarterly meeting, and bring an acco^t thereof to this Meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 8th Month 1785. The Representatives from the Preparative meetings are, from the South, Joseph Tucker and Philip [illegible] — from the North, [illegible] and [illegible], who being called are all present.

The Clerk informs that the reading the Epistles (referred to be read at the opening of this Meeting) slipt his mind; he is therefore desired to bring them to next monthly meeting.

Two of the Friends in the case of Rich^d [illegible], report that they have had an Opportunity with him, and have but little Encouragement of his [illegible] and desire the matter deferred which is accordingly continued under the same friends care, who are to report to next Mo meeting.

The Committee in the case of [illegible] report, that they have continued their care therein, and that [illegible] gave them some satisfaction and they desire the Matter continued, which is accordingly continued under their care, who are to report to next Mo meeting.

Sylvia Grinnell and Mary Howland [illegible]

The Women inform they have concluded to deny Sylvia the Wife of [illegible] Grinnell and Mary Wife of [illegible] Howland in which this meeting concurs with.

The Committee in the case of [illegible] and Philip Allen report that [illegible] matter continued another month which this meeting [illegible] and they to report to next Mo. meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of Thomas [illegible] report, that they have taken a solid Opportunity with him and desire the Matter continued, which is accordingly continued under their Care, till next Mo Meeting, they then to report.

The Committee in the Case of [illegible] of Philip Allen make report, that they have had an opportunity with him, and are waiting to [illegible] his acknowledgmt

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for Satisfaction; with our Concurrence; which after considering we conclude so to accept, the Women also concurring, provided Benjn cause his Paper of acknowledgment to be read publickly, at the end of a first days Meeting between now and next Mo Meeting, he being present and return said paper, with report to next Meeting.

Stephen
Buffinton
[illegible]

A removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk directed to the Mo Meeting of Acoaxet, in behalf of Stephen Buffinton, his Wife and their Children namely Zephaniah, Stephen and Sarah, expressing that they are members, and that their outward affairs are settled to satisfaction as far as appears.

The Friends appointed to write to Nantucket respecting Shubl Bunker's Certificate, report they have wrote to that Meeting accordingly.

The Committee appointed, reported a Draught of the Testimony of Job Devol's Denial as follows,

Whereas Job Devol son of John Devol and Mary his Wife, of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol &c. hath had his Education among Friends, but by departing from the Truth and the Testimony thereof in his conversation, hath so far given way to a depraved and unstable mind as to fall into loose, vain and unprofitable company, and hath been under the Imputation of being guilty of the reproachful Sin of Fornication, as by the accusation of Sarah Russell doth appear, tho' he denies the accusation, and Friends having laboured with him in love on that account but he not clearing up the Matter, nor distinguishing himself therefrom in any manner sufficient to manifest his innocence to friends' satisfaction: We are therefore for the clearing and maintaining our Testimony against such reproachful conduct, hereby publickly disown him the said Job Devol from being a Member of our religious Society, until by repentance and amendment of life, he shall be restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 8th mo 1785

by Caleb Greene Clerk

which being approved, and signed as above, the Clerk is desired to cause the same to be read in the usual publick manner at Newtown, and the same friends are to inform him thereof, and they with the Clerk are to report to next Mo. meeting.

One of the Friends in the care of Simeon Russell son of Timothy informs that the Comee hath had an opportunity with him, and that he appears to make Friends Satisfaction, yet think it best to defer the Matter, which is accordingly continued under the same friends care, till next Mo Meeting who are then to report.

D Shepherd Jr
and family
[illegible]

The Friends appointed to draw a removal Certificate for David Shepherd Junior his Wife and their Children, namely Thomas, Reliance, John, James and Caleb, to Sandwich Mo Meeting, produced one which was read and signed by the Clerk, expressing that they are Members, and that his affairs are settled to satisfaction, as far as appears.

The Youth Preparve Meeting in their

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Acct inform that they have collected & sent to the Treasurer 6s..10
The North 19..4½
1..6..2½

It is concluded to fence our Lot [illegible], in order to accommodate friends horses at [illegible] Quarterly meeting - and agree to meet together on the Second day of next week, if the weather is suitable, if not, the next suitable day, to accomplish the same.

The Women inform that they are [illegible] to deal with [illegible] Russell which this Meeting concurs with.

The Committee for building a Meeting house at Bedford, requests an additional number for that Service and to collect Subscriptions for raising money to defray that Expence: Abraham Howland Giles Slocum Peleg Gifford and Samuel Smith are appointed to assist in that service.

[illegible] of a Minute of this Meeting of 6th month last, she having attended the Quarterly at Nantucket.

[illegible] of a Minute of last Monthly meeting, he having attended Sandwich [illegible] meeting.

It being recommended by the Quarterly meeting for this Meeting to raise £14..10 to supply the Yearly and Quarterly meeting Stock, we therefore appoint Peleg Slocum, Timothy Russell, Barnabas Russell, Thomas Mott, William Gifford, William Barker to draught Subscriptions, and make collections thereon, and each member is desired to subscribe thereto in freedom, sd Committee to make report of the sum total so collected to next mo. meeting: and the Clerk is desired to give them a Copy of this minute signed in behalf of this Meeting.

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At the Monthly meeting of Dartmouth held there, the 19th of 9th month 1785. The Representatives from the [illegible] Peleg Gifford and [illegible] Barker, from the North, Wm Howland and Wm Gifford, who being called were all present.

The other Epistles which came to hand in the 7th month were read at this time to satisfaction, and the weighty Advices therein, are recommended to the Consideration and Observance of friends, particularly that from our Yearly meeting, which recommends last year's Advice respecting Epistolary Queries to be read in Monthly and Preparative meetings, which is referred to next Monthly meeting for further consideration.

The Committee in the case of Benja Howland Jr report that they have continued their care therein, and that they have some encouragement and desire the Matter deferred, which this Meeting concurs with, and they are continued in that Service & to report to next Monthly meeting.

This meeting is informed that Benja Russell son of Philip decd hath caused his Paper to be read as directed at last Mo meeting.

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The Friends appointed in the case of [illegible] report, that they have had a further opportunity with him, and think it may be best that the matter be again [illegible] of [illegible] continued under the same Friends care and they to report to next Mo. meeting.

The Friends in the case of [illegible] Jeffrey, report that they have not had further opportunity with him, as he hath gone a voyage to Sea, they are therefore continued in that Service, and to report to next Mo. meeting.

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of the denial of [illegible] hath been read as directed; and the Friends appointed reports that [illegible] hath been with [illegible] informed of his denial.

The Committee in the case of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with which this Meeting concurs, they then to report.

The Friends appointed in Joseph Russells son of Timothy case report, that they have continued their care [illegible], and had an opportunity with him, and that he gave them some good degree of satisfaction, yet think it best it should be continued, with which this Meeting acquiesces, and said Friends are to report to next Mo meeting.

The Friends [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the attendance of our religious Meetings, that they have [illegible] with him, but not finding him in a disposition to [illegible] satisfaction, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with him, and report to next Mo meeting.

Henry Smith and A. Russell [illegible]

Henry Smith and Abigail Russell declared their intention of taking each other in Marriage, they are to wait till next Mo meeting for their answer; and Wm Anthony Junr and Benja Howland 2d are appointed to inspect their clearness in respect to Marriage and Conversation and report to next Mo meeting.

The South Prepara Meeting in their Acct inform that they have collected and sent to the Treasurer 0..9..5½
and the North 12..10
£ 1..2..3½

The Friends [illegible] [illegible] Preparative Meetings, and [illegible] [illegible] are appointed to compile general answers to the Queries from this to the Quarterly Meeting, and make an account to said Meeting and bring it to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This meeting having concluded in the 10th mo. [illegible] to continue all our week day meetings in that week the Quarterly Meeting may be held here and that when the Prepara Meeting happens [illegible] in that week, that it be held on the 4th day of the next preceding week of the Quarterly Meeting; and in addition thereto, the North Prepara Meeting, it is

9 mo 1785 now concluded is to be held on the 5th day of the next preceding week of the Quarterly meeting, whenever it may happen in the week of the Quarterly meeting being held here: and that there be no Meetings for Worship on said Preparative meeting Days.

This meeting is adjourned to the 28th Inst. at the usual time of day

9 mo 28th Met by Adjournment, — The Representatives being called were all present.

The Friends appointed produced a compilation of the Answers to the Queries, which with the account sent to the Quarterly Meeting were read (and after some alteration) signed by the Clerk, and forwarded to the Quarterly meeting, by our Representatives Abial Gifford, Benjn Taber, Seth Russell and John Howland, who are to report to next Mo meeting.

Our Friend Peter Corban attended this meeting with Copy of a Minute of the Monthly meeting of Oblong, dated 12th of 9 mo 1785. which was read to satisfaction, and endorsement made thereon signifying the same signed by the Clerk.

The Comtee to collect Subscriptions for supplying the Yearly and Quarterly meeting's Stock, report, that they have collected and paid to our Treasurer £7..5..3, which is directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting's Treasurer; and the same Friends are continued in that service for further collection, they to make report to next Mo meeting.

The Women inform that they with our Concurrence, concluded to appoint some Friends to join the Friends in visiting such among us as neglect the attendance of our religious Meetings; this Meeting concurring therewith, refers the appointing some men friends to join them therein to next Mo meeting.

It being recommended by the Quarterly meeting that two or more suitable Friends be appointed by each Mo meeting, whose care it shall be, to see that such Friends as come among us on Religious Visits have suitable Companions to accompany them when they leave our Quarter or otherwise as the Circumstances may be, and that the friends so appointed present the account of such expenses in that case to the Monthly meeting, and if approved of, to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting. We therefore appoint Caleb Greene and Wm Anthony Junr for that service.

Francis Rotch disowned Francis Rotch having removed to London without Certificate, Neglects the attendance of our religious Meetings and appearing in Dress, Language and deportment far from that simple Plainness which we profess, and some friends, as also one of the Overseers having taken Opportunity with him thereon; and he signifying to them that he could not comply with Friends Rules, and not inclining to give friends satisfaction, & they cannot conveniently have further Opportunity with him, so with the Concurrence of the Women disown him the said Francis Rotch from being a member with us, and from under the Care of this Meeting and

9 mo 1785 [illegible] Friends is appointed to inspect into their [illegible] respecting [illegible] and report to this meeting.

10 mo 1785 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 10th Month 1785. The Representatives named in the Accounts presented from the Prepar^e Meetings are

[illegible] { South Thomas Hicks & W^m Barker
North Caleb Russell and Jno. Deval who being

called were all present.

The advice from the Yearly meeting, respecting [illegible] was read at this time and the further reading thereof, is recommended to the Prepar^e Meetings, as often as may appear useful and best.

The Committee in the Case of Benjamin [illegible] and [illegible] report, that he has given them some Satisfaction, but think best the matter be continued, it is accordingly continued under the same friends care, who are to report to next Mo meeting.

The Friends in Rich^d Lapham's Case report that they have not had an opportunity with him, as he is not returned, they are therefore continued in that Service and to make report to next Mo. meeting

The Com^tee in Thomas Akins Case, report, that they have not yet had opportunity with him, and think best the Matter should be deferred; it is accordingly continued under their care, who are to report to next Monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed in the Case of Joseph Hart and Philip Allen report, they think best to accept Joseph Harts Paper condemning his Misconduct, which is accordingly accepted for satisfaction, provided he cause the same to be read in the usual public manner, and return the same with report thereof to next Mo Meeting; but the same friends report that they think it best to continue Philip's Case, which is accordingly continued under their care, who are to report to next Mo meeting.

Shadrach Freeman [illegible] The Friends appointed in the Case of Shadrach Freeman report, that they have attended thereto, and had a solid opportunity with him, and that he gave them no Satisfaction, he justifying his conduct. We therefore with the Concurrence of the Women do disown the said Shadrach Freeman as a Member among us, and from under the care of this Meeting, and [illegible] Howland is appointed to inform him thereof and report to next Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed to inspect Henry Smith's clearness respecting Marriage & Conversation report that nothing appears to hinder his proceeding in Marriage.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report, that they all attended, and that the Acc^t from this Meeting was received and read, and that there was it was the Conclusion of the Quarterly Meeting not to communicate any thing by way of Epistle at this time.

Henry Smith and Abigail Russell

10 mo 1785 appointed for their Answer, which was, that we do not find any thing to hinder their proceeding to take each other in marriage at some convenient time between this and next Mo. meeting, advising with the friends that this meeting appoints to see said marriage orderly accomplished, who are Benjamin Rowland 2d. and William Anthony Jr they to report to next Mo. meeting.

The Women's [illegible] meeting on their account inform they have [illegible] [illegible] sent to the Treasurer of this Meeting 9"11½

The Youths 7"11

"17"10½

Peleg Gifford, Philip Trafford, Giles Slocum and Thomas Russell, Barnabas Mosher, Caleb Russell & Simon Rowland are appointed a committee to repair our Meeting house at Aponaganset if they think proper, and make such repairs as they can before the approaching Winter, and report to next Mo. meeting.

The Overseers inform that Archippus Gifford keeps company with a young Woman not of our Society, on account of Marriage, for which he was Labour'd with by them; but he not giving them Satisfaction, therefore we appoint Wm Wood and Thomas Mott to labour further with him the sd Archippus and report to next Mo meeting.

The committee to continue in procuring for Yearly and Quarterly meeting's Stock, report that they are about attending to that Service, they are continued therein to accomplish that matter and report to next Mo meeting.

Caleb Greene informs that he hath procured the Deed of the Meeting house lot at Bedford acknowledged and recorded at the cost of 5/8d which the Treasurer is directed to pay.

The appointing some friends to join the Women in visiting those who neglect the attendance of our religious Meetings, and some others who are otherwise defective, is referred to next mo. meeting.

11 mo 1785 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of 11th month 1785. The Representatives named in the accounts from the Preparative meetings are from the South, Joseph Wilbur and Benjamin Smith 2d. – North Benjamin Taber and Jonathan Hart, who being called were all present, except Benjn Smith 2d who gave a satisfactory Reason of his absence.

Richard Lapham's Case is continued under the same friends care as before appointed therein, as they have not had opportunity with him, they to report to next Mo Meeting.

The Comm.ee in the case of [illegible] report, that they have taken solid opportunity with him, that he gave them some encouragement, and that they think best it be continued, which is accordingly, under the same friends Care, they to report to next Mo. meeting.

The Comm.ee in the Case of Benjn Rowland 3d report that he seemed disposed to make friends Satisfaction that he has discontinued his Tavern agreeable to the Advice and request of Friends, which is accepted by this meeting

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This Meeting is informed that Joseph Bail hath caused his Paper to be read as directed last Mo. meeting.

Friends having case of [illegible] under the same persons care appointed before, as they have not had opportunity with him, they're continued to next Mo Meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of Job Russell Jun. of [illegible] report, that they think it best to accept his Paper concerning his Misconduct for Satisfaction, which is accepted accordingly, provided he causing it to be read in the usual Public manner and report it to next Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed, report that they attended the Marriage of Benjamin Smith and Abigail Russell and also attended at his house the same evening, and that it was conducted in a good degree orderly.

John Howland reports, that the informing Edward Trueman of his Denial [illegible] by Friends, he is continued thereof and report to next Mo meeting.

Sarah Russell rec'd by certif. — The Women inform they have received a removal Certificate from the Mo meeting of Philada in behalf of Sarah Russell wife of Abrm Russell.

Ann Marshall removed. — A Removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk in behalf of Ann Marshall, directed to the Mo meeting of New York.

The Committee to view and repair our Meeting House at Aponagansett report that they have viewed and examined the same & find it so irreparable, that they concluded it best to only stop some of the worst leaks, which they did, and they are continued to make such further repairs inside or out as they may judge best for the ensuing winter & report to next Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of Archippus Gifford, report, that they have taken an opportunity with him, but that he did not give them Satisfaction, yet at his desire and request the matter is continued another month, under the same Friends Care, who are to report to next Mo meeting.

The Committee for collecting our Yearly and Quarterly meeting's Stock, report that they have not accomplished that service; they are therefore continued to accomplish it and report to next Mo meeting.

The appointing a Committee to join the Women to visit those who neglect the attendance of our religious Meetings, and some others who are otherwise defective in maintaining our religious principles and Testimony, is refered to next Monthly meeting.

The So. Preparative Meeting in their accot inform that they have collected and delivered to the Treasurer "10" "
and the North Prepara meeting 1" 1" 2½
£ 1" 11·2½

Friends in Allens neck having requested in their Meeting, the Privilege or Liberty of holding Meetings there, which being considered, it is concluded with the concurrence of the Women, that

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they [illegible] a Meeting held the 2d day of next week at [illegible] meeting at the 11th hour, and Samuel Smith, Abiel Gifford, Thomas Hicks are appointed to have the care thereof, and Consider whether it may be best to have Meetings held the ensuing Winter, how many and the Times of particular Place, and report to next Mo meeting.

The Friends Samuel Smith, Joseph Austin and Caleb Greene with Caleb [illegible] are appointed to settle accounts with the Treasurer; also to revise and correct this Meetings Minutes in order to be recorded.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 30th Instant at the close of the meeting for Worship.

11 month 30th Met by Adjournment.
The Representatives being called some all present except Jonathan Hart, no excuse or reason rendered of his absence.

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At Dartmouth Monthly meeting held the 19th of the 12th Month 1785. The Representatives from the Prepar. Meetings named in the Acco presented are from the So. [illegible] [illegible] Joseph Tucker jun from the North [illegible] Nicholson [illegible], who being called are all present

Jonathan Hart's reasons of his absence from the adjournment of last Monthly meeting were satisfactory.

Com to visit [illegible]

The Friends Thomas Hicks and Abiel Gifford are appointed to join the Committee the Women may appoint, to visit those of our Members who much neglect the attendance of our religious Meetings; and some others of them who are otherwise defective in maintaining our religious Principles and Testimony, as way may open & make report when accomplished, or before, if they think that best,

The Friends appointed in the Case of Thomas Akin report that they have had the [illegible] of that Matter, and have had several Conferences with him, it is therefore continued under the same Friends care they to report when they shall think proper,

Report hath been made that Joseph Russell's Paper hath been read according to the direction of last Mo Meeting.

Report was also made that John Howland informed Jonathan Freeman of his denial as directed,

The Friends continued to inspect and repair our old Meeting house, report that they have performed said appointment and made such Repairs as they thought best for the present.

The Friends appointed, report, that they have revis'd this Meetings Minutes in order to be recorded; but, that they have not accomplished fully their appointment, which they are continued to do and report to next Mo meeting.

The Queries were read and the Answers thereto from the Prepar. Meetings, and Benjamin Taber, James Davis, and Caleb Greene are appointed to compile Answers therefrom for this Meeting, draw an account to the Quarterly meeting

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and report to the adjournment of this Meeting.

The Comm^ee having the care of the request of Friends in Allens neck for Meetings there make the following report, "Agreeably to appointment we attended the Meeting at Susanna Allens the 28th of last Month and thereby have been the better able to consider and determine the matter in respect to the request of Friends for Meetings in that neck the ensuing Winter, and after weightily deliberating thereon, we have agreed that there be two Meetings in each Month held there until the Monthly meeting in the 3d month next, and that they be held on the first third day (of the week) in each month, and on the first day of the week next after the Monthly meeting in each Month, and the place of Meeting to be at Peleg Slocum's on first days and at Susanna Allen's on week days; to meet at the usual hour of eleven, and we think it would be useful and best, that there be a Committee to have the care thereof, who are not Petitioners, some of which Comm^ee ought to attend each Meeting, and if they shall think it best, in the Course of their attending said Meeting to discontinue it before the Time limited be expired that they make report accordingly all which is submitted to the Monthly meeting.

Dated 12th 12th mo 1785. Signed in behalf of the Committee
by Samuel Smith
Peleg Slocum."

Which, with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting is accepted, and Joseph Barker, Philip Gifford, Thomas Hicks, Abiel Gifford and Samuel Smith are appointed to attend them and make report accordingly.

Thomas Russell informs that he proposes a Journey to Oblong on business, which this Meeting concurs with, he being a Member of this Meeting and the Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this Minute.

Hannah
Tucker
request
[illegible]
[illegible]

Hannah Tucker widow informing that she is under difficult circumstances respecting the settlement of her outward affairs, and requests our Advice in the Management thereof, we therefore appoint Sam^l Smith, Seth Russell, Caleb Gifford and Caleb Greene, for that service, and to report to this Meeting.

The Friends appointed in the Case of Rich^d Lapham, report that they have taken further care therein, but have not all had opportunity with him, the Matter of them is referred to next Mo meeting, under the same Friends Care, who are then to report.

This meeting is adjourned to the 28th Instant at the usual time of day.

12 mo 28 Met by Adjournment.

The Representatives being called are all present.

The Friends appointed in the Case of [illegible] Gifford, report, that they have had a further opportunity with him but that he did not give them satisfaction, and continues keeping company with a young Woman not of our Society;

12 mo [illegible] manner, which is contrary to the [illegible] we therefore disown the said Ar-

1785 chippus, as a Member of our Society, and from under the care of this Meet-

Archippus ing, and Thomas Hicks is appointed to inform him thereof and report at

Gifford disowned next Mo meeting.

The Friends in Philip Allen's Case, report that they have not accomplished that Service, and desire it continued, 'tis referred accordingly, under the same friends care to next Mo. meeting they then to report.

Cornelius Howland gave in a Paper condemning several Transgressions as therein mentioned; we therefore appoint Wm Anthony Junr & Thomas Hicks to take a other Opportunity with Cornelius to discover his Sincerity and report at next Mo. meeting.

Giles Smith gave in a Paper condemning his joining in an Entertainment for a Marriage out of the order & Unity of Friends, we appoint [illegible] and [illegible] Gifford to take a Solid Opportunity with him to discover his Sincerity and report to next Mo. meeting.

The Overseers of Poor and School Committee inform this Meeting that there are none of the first Class of Poor as described in the Advice from the Meeting for Sufferings in 7th month last, which Samuel Smith is desired to inform said Meeting of, and report to this Meeting.

The Committee [illegible] appointed to collect for Yearly and Quarterly meeting's Stock, report that they collected £1..15..3 in addition to what was before collected, which is directed to be paid to our Treasurer.

Abiel Gifford gave in an Account to this Meeting for Hay and Pasturing for last Quarterly meeting, amounting to £3. which the Treasurer is directed to pay as soon as supplied with money.

The Friends appointed, produced a Compilation of the Answers to the Queries and an Account to the Quarterly meeting; which Answers with the Queries were read, together with the account, and signed by the Clerk, and Wm Gifford, Benjn Chase & Joseph Austin are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting with said Account and report to next Mo. meeting.

The Treasurer is desired to pay to the Representatives to the Quarterly meeting £0..4..[illegible] which with what was sent in 10th month last, and the Account of Hay supplied last Quarterly meeting makes up the sum of £1..1..10 this meetings apportion of Yearly & Quarterly meeting's Stock, this year.

Shubael Barker rec'd by Cert. Received a removal Certificate for Shubael Barker Junr from the Mo. meeting of Nantucket, dated [illegible] of 9mo 1785 signifying he is a Member of our Society, and hath settled his affairs to Satisfaction.

The So. Preparative Meeting in their Account inform they have collected and paid to the Treasurer 11..2½

the North 14..3

£1..5..5½

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of 1st month 1786. The Meeting being Collected, the Visits were presented from the Preparative Meetings, the Representatives named therein are, from the South [illegible] Gifford & Nicholas Lapham, [illegible] from [illegible] and from [illegible] who being called were all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting made report that they all attended agreeably to appointment and have produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been read to satisfaction and is a degree of edification.

Received three Copies of the London last Yearly Epistle, one of which was read in this Meeting to Satisfaction and its recommended to be read in each Particular Meeting belonging to this.

Elizth Hicks recd, and Ruth Smith denied.

The Women inform that their Meeting with the Concurrence of this have concluded to receive Elizabeth Hicks into Membership, to deny Ruth Smith daughter of David and to receive [illegible] Paper for Satisfaction, all which we concur with.

The Committee continued to settle Accot with the Treasurer, report that they have not accomplished that Matter by reason that the former Treasurer hath removed some distance from hence, therefore said Matter is continued under the same friends care and they to report when they are ready.

Friends [illegible] informed Archippus Gifford of his Denial as directed last Monthly meeting.

The Friends in Philip [illegible] case report, they have taken further care therein, yet have not accomplished it, they are therefore continued in that service, and are desired to accomplish the same & report to next Monthly Meeting.

[illegible] Smith reports that he [illegible] the Meeting for Sufferings as desired last Mo Meeting.

Peleg Slocum (one of the Comtee for collecting for Yearly & Quarterly meetings Stock) reports that he hath paid to our Treasurer what he collected which was 12/4d.

George Smith gave in a Paper condemning his having some [illegible] which was [illegible] for War, we therefore appoint Thos Hicks & Philip [illegible] to take a Solid Opportunity with George, in order to discover his sincerity & report to next Mo. meeting.

The Friends appointed to take a Solid Opportunity with [illegible] report, that they had such Opportunity with him and that he gave them so much Satisfaction as that his Paper may be accepted, which with the Concurrence of the Women is accepted accordingly, he causing it to be read in the usual Public manner, and return it with report, to next Mo Meeting.

The Friends to take a Solid Opportunity with [illegible] Smith, report, that they have taken an Opportunity accordingly and that he gave them so much satisfaction, that his Paper may be received, which with the concurrence of the

1mo 178[illegible] is accordingly received for Satisfaction

The Overseers inform that Thomas Gifford is guilty of the Sin of Fornication as appears by his Wife's having a Child soon after Marriage and that he is also [illegible] to [illegible] that he hath been laboured with [illegible] this meeting, we appoint Joseph [illegible] and [illegible] Huddlestone to labour further with him and report to next monthly meeting.

Ann Shepherd rec'd by Cert. The Women inform that they have received a removal Certificate from the Mo. meeting of Oblong in behalf of Anne Shepherd daughter of David, that they have [illegible] Hannah Russell daughter of Joseph [illegible] which this Meeting Concurs with.

The South Prepard Meeting in their acct inform that they have collected and paid to this Meeting's Treasurer 12s 4d
the North 7 9½
£1 0 1½

Perry Smith hath given in a Paper condemning his [illegible] an [illegible] or a [illegible] out of the order of [illegible], we therefore appoint Thomas Hicks & Philip Trafford to take a Solid Opportunity with him to discover his sincerity and report to next Mo meeting.

2 mo 1780 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 2d mo. 1786. The Accounts from the Prepard Meetings being presented the Representatives therein named are from the South [illegible] and [illegible], North [illegible] and John Tucker who being called are all present except Abm Howland for whose absence no excuse was rendered.

The friends appointed in the Case of Thomas Gifford report, that they have taken a Solid Opportunity with him, yet he did not give them satisfaction; they are therefore continued to inspect & labour further with him in that matter; and if they do not find Satisfaction, to draw a Testimony of his denial and report to next Mo. meeting.

The friends appointed to take an opportunity with Perry Smith, report that they have taken an opportunity with him, and they think he hath [illegible] acknowledgment which with the concurrence of the Women is received for Satisfaction.

Jas Davis Minute for [illegible] James Davis having a desire to attend some Meetings within Sandwich Quarter with a prospect of visiting [illegible] there, and the friends uniting therewith, he being a Minister in unity; this Meeting considering and approving thereof, our Womens Meeting also Concurring, the Clerk is directed to give him a Copy of this Minute.

Collected by the South Prepard Meeting by their acct; which is paid to the Treasurer 8 7
The North 14 9
£1 3 4

This Meeting is adjourned to the 1st day of next Month after the Meeting for Worship.

2 [illegible] 1756 — 3d Month 1st Met by adjournment. The Representatives being called are all present.

This meeting is informed that Cornelius Rowlands Paper hath been read as directed last Mo. Meeting.

Philip Allen Denied — The Friends appointed in Philip Allens case, report that they have had another opportunity with him, but that he did not give them satisfaction, and that they also treated with him on [illegible] in drawing a Lottery, therefore (the Womens meeting concurring) the same friends are continued to draught a Testimony of his denial, inform him of it, and report to next Mo. Meeting.

Hannah Russell [illegible] — The Women inform that they have concluded to deny Hannah Russell daughter of Benja which we concur with.

Deborah Potter removed. — A Removal Certificate in behalf of Deborah Potter, wife of Saml, directed to the Monthly Meeting of Oblong, was signed by the Clerk.

The Friends appointed in the Case of Geo. Smith, report that they had a suitable opportunity with him, that he gave them so much satisfaction as that the Meeting may in their judgment receive his acknowledgment; which with the concurrence of the Women is accepted accordingly, he causing the same to be read in the usual public manner, returning it with report thereof to next Mo. Meeting.

[illegible] 1756 — At a Monthly Meeting [illegible] the [illegible], &c. the Meeting being [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] both [illegible] Representatives, who being called are all present.

This Meeting is informed that George Smiths Paper hath been read as directed last Mo. Meeting & is now returned.

[illegible] hath returned from his visit into Sandwich Quarter, and has returned the copy of a Minute of this Meeting.

Abraham Rowlands reason of his absence at first sitting of last Mo. Meeting is Satisfactory.

Thos Hefford Denied — The friends appointed in the case of Thomas Hefford, report that they have made further inspection therein and have drawn a Testimony of his Denial which was read and with the concurrence of the Women was signed by the Clerk, who is desired to cause the same to be read in the usual public manner & report to next Mo. Meeting. [illegible] is appointed to inform Thomas thereof and report to next Mo. Meeting.

Said Testimony is as follows.

Whereas Thomas Hefford son of Job Hefford deceased, and Martha his wife, of Dartmouth, having had his Education among friends; but by departing from the Truth and its Blessed principles in his own heart, hath so far given way to that

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depravity, as to fall into the reproachful sin of Fornication, as appears by his Wife's having a Child soon after Marriage, and is accused of the like reproachful sin by Abigail Gidley, which accusation he denies; and friends having treated with him on those Accounts in love and he not giving them satisfaction in the former nor discharging himself from the latter in any manner to manifest his innocence to friends satisfaction, we do therefore for clearing and maintaining our Testimony against such reproachful Conduct, hereby publicly disown him the said Thomas Gifford from being a member of our religious Society, until by repentance and amendment of Life he shall be restored to the way of Truth, which is our sincere desire.

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting of Friends, held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 3d month 1786.
by Caleb Greene Clerk.

Philip Allen
[illegible]

The Friends appointed having produced a draught of a Testimony of Philip Allen's denial, which was read and with the Womens concurrence, signed by the Clerk, who is desired to cause the same to be read in the usual public manner, and report to next Mo. Meeting; said Testimony is as follows,

Whereas Philip Allen, son of Philip Allen deceased, and Susanna his Wife, of Dartmouth, having had a Birthright among friends and under the care of this Meeting; but by not adhering to the dictates of Truth in his own heart and giving way to a vain and airy mind, hath so far departed from the Principles we profess, as to be guilty of playing at Cards, as also in being concerned in drawing a Lottery, all which being inconsistent with our Profession and contrary to the Rules and orders of friends for which he hath been Laboured with in order to show him the Evil of such practices; but he not appearing in a disposition of condemning his misconduct to friends satisfaction, therefore this Meeting is concerned to give this forth as a public Testimony against him the said Philip Allen hereby disowning him from any right of membership with us, untill by unfeigned repentance and amendment of Life he shall be restored in the Truth, which is our sincere desire.

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our said Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 3rd Month 1786.
by Caleb Greene Clerk.

The Queries were read and answers thereto, from the Preparative Meetings, and Samuel Smith and [illegible] Gifford are appointed to compile general answers and draw an account to the Quarterly meeting and report to the adjournment of this Meeting.

The Committee to have the oversight of the Meetings granted in Allen's Neck, report, that they have been attended by them, and that they were conducted to pretty good satisfaction.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 29th Instant after the Meeting for Worship.

3d Mo 29th Met by adjournment

3 mo 1780 [illegible] Deval who sent a satisfactory reason of his absence.

Joseph Wilbur requests a removal certificate for himself, his Wife and their daughter [illegible] to the Monthly meeting of [illegible], he [illegible] to reside within the compass of that Meeting; [illegible] are appointed to [illegible] the Women [illegible] take the necessary care and [illegible] to next Mo. meeting.

Wilbur Gifford requests a removal certificate to Rhodeisland Mo meeting, he having gone to learn a Trade [illegible] ([illegible]) are therefore appointed to take the necessary care therein, and report to next Mo. meeting.

The So. Preparative Meeting in their Account inform that they have collected 10.9
The North 12.4
which is paid to the Treasurer. £1.3.1

The friends appointed, produced a Compilation of the Answers to the Queries, and also to the Quarterly meeting, which with [illegible] signed by the Clerk, and forwarded to said Meeting by our Representatives, who are, James Davis Thomas Russell & Samuel Smith appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting. they to report to next Mo. meeting.

Esther [illegible] [illegible] The Women inform that they have received a removal certificate from the Mo meeting of [illegible] in behalf of [illegible], dated 18 of 2d mo last which we concur with.

4 mo 1780 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 4th mo. 1780, the Representatives from Preparative Meetings are from the South Joseph Tucker jun and [illegible], from the North Joseph Austin and John Deval who being called are all present.

The Clerk not being present Samuel Smith is appointed Clerk for this day.

This meeting is informed that the [illegible] Gifford hath been [illegible] and [illegible] Wood reports that he informed said Gifford of his [illegible]

[illegible] Meeting is informed that the [illegible] hath been [illegible] Mo. meeting.

Wilbur Gifford [illegible] The friends appointed in the case of Wilbur Giffords removal certificate [illegible] produced one [illegible], which was read approved and signed by the Clerk.

Jos Wilbur his family [illegible] The friends in the case of Joseph Wilbur [illegible] certificate have produced a [illegible] for himself, his Wife and their daughter [illegible], which after being read, was approved [illegible] the Womens Meeting and signed by the [illegible]

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended according to appointment and have produced an Extract from said Quarterly Meetings Minutes recommending to the several Monthly Meetings [illegible]

4 mo 1786 [illegible] desiring [illegible] addition [illegible] house [illegible] [illegible] the expense of £35, [illegible] which matter is referred to next mo. meeting

Collected and forwarded to this meeting's
Treasurer by the So Prepard meeting 8„7
by the North [illegible] 5„10½
Sum 18„ ½

Job Lapham [illegible] Received a Certificate from the Mo Meeting of Providence, recommending Job Lapham to our care, he being [illegible] [illegible] which is accepted.

The Treasurer [illegible] four printed well bound Books, containing in each a new Digest of our Decisions agreed upon by our Yearly meeting, two of which books to be delivered to the care of the Women's meeting, the other two are for the use of the Men's meeting.

The Time of the Service of the Clerk now being expired and he not being present by reason of not being in Health, the matter of a new choice is referred to next mo. meeting.

It having been represented to this meeting [illegible] the time of their annual choice is expired; this Meeting taking it into consideration do yet continue the same in that service until a new Choice shall be made, which is referred to next Mo meeting, to be entered upon, at the opening of said meeting.

The Comtee appointed some months past to settle accounts with the Treasurer, now report that they have accomplished that matter and that there remained in Stock the 5th of the 4th month 1786 the sum of £7„0.2d after all orders are paid that are given by this Meeting, including therewith 15 Dollars paid by Wm Anthony [illegible] as per account on file may appear, they also report that the [illegible] Meetings minutes down to the date abovesaid, and [illegible] with Caleb Greene to be recorded; but as a Book for records is wanting to record them in, Caleb Russell is desired to procure a blank book for that purpose, and bring to this meeting as soon as he conveniently can, and to draw money from our Treasury for that purpose.

5 mo 1786

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmo the 15th of the 5th month 1786, The meeting being collected, the Representatives from the Prepard meetings named in the accts presented are from the South Joseph Tucker junr & Abiel Gifford — North John Howland and Wm Gifford, who being called, were all present.

[illegible] The choice of overseers being expired [illegible] this meeting [illegible] we appoint Joseph Tucker junr, Joseph Austin, Zephaniah Eddy, Jonathan Hart, Elijah Gifford and Benjamin Smith junr for that Service for the year ensuing, or till others may be appointed in their Stead.

Eliphal Stead rec'd The Women inform that they have concluded to receive Eliphal Stead, wife of Edward Stead into membership, with our concurrence, which we concur with.

[illegible]

5 mo 1786 — hath Married out of the order of Friends, with one not a member, after being precautioned and laboured with therefore, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, disown the said Daniel Tabor, from being a member with us, and from under this Meeting's care, and [illegible] is directed to inform him thereof, and report to next Monthly Meeting.

Dan^l Tabor disowned.

The appointment of Clerk coming again under the consideration of this Meeting, therefore the appointing committee having nominated [illegible] to be reappointed as Clerk for the year ensuing, which being approved by this Meeting, he is accordingly reappointed for the year ensuing or till some other be appointed in his stead.

The Overseers inform that Benjamin [illegible] Jun^r hath married out of the order of Friends (previous to which having been [illegible] by the [illegible] Meeting) and they laboured with him for that offence; but he did not [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] are appointed to inform him thereof, and report to next Mo. meeting.

The Preparative meetings in their Acc^ts inform that the South has collected 8..5^d
North 7..3
,,15..8
which is sent to the Treasurer,

The Matter referred from last Monthly meeting to this, which came from the Quarterly meeting respecting the subscription towards the addition to Providence Meeting house, coming under consideration, we appoint [illegible] Russell, [illegible] J^m Anthony Jun^r and [illegible] Slocum a Committee to take in subscriptions for that purpose and report the sum subscribed to next Mo. meeting.

The Comm^ee for building Bedford Meeting house informing that there is considerable now due toward it, therefore the Treasurer is directed to pay the £2..10 which was paid for wood, and the Committee for collecting monies belonging to this Meeting are directed to pay said Meeting house Comm^ee such sums as they have or may receive for wood, as soon as may be, and make report thereof to next Mo. meeting.

One of a Committee to procure Hay for the Quarterly meeting a year or two past, sent a report in writing that [illegible] was employed by them to cart a load of hay for that purpose for [illegible], which the Treasurer is directed to pay to [illegible].

The Overseers of the Poor inform that they agreed with George [illegible], for the hire of a part of his house for Mary King, one of this Meeting's poor, for six shillings per year, one year of which is now due, which the Treasurer is directed to pay to George.

6 mo 1786 — At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 6th month 1786, The Representatives from the Preparative are from the South Abiel Gifford & Elijah Gifford, from the North Jno Devol and John Howland, all present.

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Our Clerk being absent Wm Anthony Junr is chosen Clerk for this day.

The Queries were read and answers thereto prepared from each Preparative Meeting. Wm Anthony Junr, Thomas Hicks & Samuel Smith are appointed to compile said answers into general answers and bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the [illegible] Instant after the meeting for worship.

At the time of adjournment, the Representatives being called are all present.

Seth Russell not being present to make report of his informing Daniel Faber, (as directed last monthly meeting,) of his Denial, said Seth is still [illegible] and is to report to next mo. meeting & to give his reasons for not reporting to this.

Benj Butler Jr disowned.

The Friends appointed to treat further with Benjamin Butler Junr on account of his disorderly marriage, report, that they have accomplished that service, and that he gave them no satisfaction therefore this Meeting [illegible] doth disown him from being a member of our Society, and Caleb Russell is desired to inform him thereof and report to next mo. meeting.

Our Clerk being still absent Wm Anthony Junr is chosen Clerk for this time.

Providence M. House

The friends appointed to collect money for Providence Meeting House not having fully done it, they are continued for that Service, and to report when they are ready.

The Treasurer reports, he hath paid George Sanford six dollars as ordered last monthly meeting, and the Overseers of the Poor inform that they employed [illegible] to provide some Wood for Mary Wing [illegible] which he hath [illegible] to the amount of nine Shillings, which the Treasurer is ordered to pay and report to next mo. meeting.

The Comtee for [illegible] report that they have [illegible] John Howland for [illegible] the meeting house at Bedford the sum of [illegible] Shillings & [illegible].

The accounts from the Preparative Meetings inform they have collected and forwarded to the Treasurer as follows:

Ponds	"4"9
Town	13"1
	"17"10

The Treasurer not having paid to John Howland the [illegible] as ordered, he is yet desired to do it, and report to next Mo meeting.

The friends appointed to compile the answers to the Queries, produced a Compilation, which being read, was corrected, and is with an Epistle signed by the Clerk and forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Thomas Hicks, [illegible], & [illegible], they to report to next mo. meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the [illegible] day of the 7th month 1786. The Representatives named in the accounts received from the Preparative meetings are from the South Joseph Tucker jur and Thomas Russell, North, Joseph Austin & John Devol who being called were all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended, and produced an Epistle from said meeting, together with transcripts of our last yearly meeting Epistle, and of those from London, Philada and Long Island all which were read in this meeting to satisfaction, & they are recommended to be again read, at the opening of next Monthly meeting.

Seth Russell now reports that he informed Daniel Tabor of his denial as directed, and gave his reasons for not appearing last monthly meeting, which was satisfactory.

Caleb Russell reported, that he hath informed Benjn Tucker Junr of his denial according to appointment.

Caleb Russell also reports that he hath according to appointment, provided a Book suitable for recording the meetings minutes at the cost of thirteen shillings, which the Treasurer is directed to pay, as also 1/4 a [illegible] for Paper.

The Preparative meetings by their accounts inform that they have collected & sent to the Treasurer, to South 7"1
North 8"5
"15"6

The year of the service of the Overseers of the Poor being expired we therefore appoint John Devol, Gideon Howland, Thomas Russell, Thos Mott, John Howland and Caleb [illegible] for that service for the year ensuing or till others may be appointed in their stead.

The Treasurer reports that he hath paid [illegible] as directed last mo. meeting.

Providence meeting house

The Committee for collecting money for building Providence meeting house, not having accomplished the same, they are therefore continued to make application to the members of this meeting for that purpose and report when ready.

The Quarterly meeting concluding to raise the sum of £60.0.0 for the Yearly and Quarterly meetings Stock; of which our proportion by our Representatives, is said £16"5"5 the raising of which is referred to the consideration of next mo meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the [illegible] of the 8th month 1786, The Representatives named in the accounts received from the Prepara Meetings, are from South Benjamin [illegible] and Joseph Tucker junr, from the North, Jno Howland & Thomas Mott, who, on being called, were all present.

The Epistles which were read last Monthly Meeting were again read, and the advices therein

8 mo 1780 [illegible] to Representatives [illegible] of this Meeting.

The Preparative Meetings in their accounts informs that they have collected and sent to the Treasurer of this Meeting, viz.

The South	"10"1
North	"8"11½
	19" ½

The Treasurer reports that he hath paid what was directed last Monthly meeting for a Book and Paper.

The Women inform that they have with our Concurrence concluded to accept of [illegible] Paper for satisfaction, which we concur with.

On considering of the raising the sum agreed on by this Meeting for the Quarterly and Yearly Meetings Stock being £10"8"5 is concluded to collect it by Subscription, we therefore appoint [illegible] Howland, Joshua Potter, Daniel Gifford, Benjamin [illegible] and [illegible] Gifford to collect such sums as friends may subscribe toward the same and report to next Mo. Meeting.

Dr Perry [illegible] The Overseers of the Poor inform they have received an acc.t from Doctor Perry for doing for [illegible] Russell, one of our Poor to the amount of [illegible], which the Treasurer is directed to pay and make report to next Mo. Meeting.

9 mo 1780

At Dartmouth Monthly meeting held the 18th of the 9th month 1780. The Representatives named in the [illegible] ordered from the Prepar.ve Meetings are, from the South [illegible] Gifford & Philip Trafford, North, Benj.a [illegible] and Thomas [illegible], who are all called and are present.

The Prepar.ve Meetings in their accounts informs that they have collected and sent to our Treasurer as follows

The South	7"10
North	12"8
	£1" –"6

The Queries were read and Answers as represented by the Preparative Meetings, and [illegible], [illegible] and Joseph Austin are appointed to compile Answers from them, as from this Meeting with an Account to the Quarterly Meeting and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

Gideon Howland, Thomas [illegible] and Humphry Russell are appointed to take the necessary care for providing [illegible] for our next Quarterly Meeting and report to next Mo. Meeting.

This meeting is adjourned to the 27th Inst at the close of the Meeting for worship.

9 mo 27th Met by Adjournment, The Representatives were called and all present.

The [illegible] Answers to the Queries & drawn an acc.t to the Quarterly meeting [illegible], which were read & signed by the clerk, and forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Abiel [illegible]

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[illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] report to next Mo Meeting.

[illegible] of the Committee appointed to assist the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that they have not fully accomplished that business, they are continued in that service, and to report to next Monthly Meeting.

The Treasurer reports that he hath paid the money to [illegible] as directed [illegible] the Meeting.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of the 10th month 1786, The Representatives by the Accounts received from the Preparative Meetings are John Smith, Joseph Tuck Jr and Thomas Russell, [illegible] Joseph Austin and [illegible] who are all present on being called.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended, and produced an Epistle from the last Quarterly Meeting, which was read in this Meeting to satisfaction.

The advice communicated from our Quarterly Meeting in that Epistle, respecting the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] is recommended to the attention of the members of this Meeting, and the Committee formerly appointed by this Meeting in that Service are desired to make further inspection and report to next Mo Meeting.

The [illegible] Committee appointed by this Meeting to [illegible] with those that [illegible] frequently [illegible] the [illegible] are desired to make further inspection [illegible] agreeable to the advice of the Quarterly Meeting and make report to next Mo Meeting.

Joseph Howland disowned

The Overseers inform that Joseph Howland son of Gideon, hath kept company and married out of the unity of Friends, [illegible] the said Overseers laboured with him, but he was not free to condemn it; and is now gone on a Voyage to sea: we therefore with the Concurrence of the Women, do disown the said Joseph Howland from a right of membership among us, and from under the care of this Meeting. And [illegible] is appointed to inform him thereof, and make report when accomplished.

John Howland and [illegible] Howland intentions

John Howland (son of Benja) and [illegible] Howland declared their intentions of taking each other in Marriage - and are desired to wait till next Mo Meeting for their answer, and George Smith with Thomas Russell are appointed to inspect into John's clearness in respect to Marriage and Conversation and report to next Monthly Meeting.

Humphrey Lapham disowned

The Overseers inform that Humphrey Lapham hath married out of the unity of Friends after being precautioned; we therefore with the Women's concurrence, disown the said Humphrey Lapham, from having a right of Membership among us, and from under the care of this Meeting, and Thomas Russell is appointed to inform him thereof and report to next Mo Meeting.

The Overseers inform that William

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[illegible] Meetings [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] about outward Government; than is consistent with with our peace able Profession, for all which the Overseers have Laboured with him but he not giving them satisfaction, Benjamin Taber, John Devol are appointed to have further [illegible] with him [illegible] and make report to next Monthly meeting.

The Prepara.^e Meetings on their acc.ts inform that they have collected and paid to the Treasurer viz. the South 7"3
— the North 6"5
13"8

The Committee appointed to receive Bills for the Quarterly meeting Stock, report that they have received their proportion of a [illegible] amounting to £1"11"6 which the Treasurer is directed as soon as he is supplied with a sufficiency of [illegible] to report to this Meeting.

The Committee appointed to receive subscriptions for the yearly meeting Stock report that they have received £3"6"10 which is paid to the Treasurer, who is desired to forward it to the Quarterly meetings Treasurer, and the friends are continued in that service in order that the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Treasurer to report to next Mo meeting.

Friends Continue to report the [illegible] under our Meeting being [illegible] [illegible] Peleg Gifford, Wm Anthony jun.r William Gifford, Humphrey Russell, Joshua Potter Daniel Gifford, Edmund Mayhew, Elijah Gifford, John Tucker to consult in what manner and to [illegible] [illegible] as they may think Proper and to make report to next Mo meeting.

Friends at Bedford request the Privilege of holding two Meetings a day on each first day of the week [illegible] the year (excepting in the [illegible] of 12 months) as also a week day meeting in the week of each of our Mo meetings, which this meeting considering they have Liberty to hold their [illegible] as they proposed on first days till next Monthly meeting, then their request is to be further considered.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 11 mo 20th 1786, The Representatives from the Preparative meetings are, from the South Peleg Gifford and Philip Trafford, North Caleb Russell and Thomas [illegible] all present.

The Clerk being absent Wm Anthony jun.r chosen in his Stead for this Time.

The Committee in respect to Peleg [illegible] not being ready for a Report, they are desired to continue that Service, and to report next Mo meeting.

Part of the Committee in respect to spirituous Liquors report that they have made some Prog[illegible] therein and that [illegible] further [illegible] [illegible] they [illegible]

11 mo 1786 therefore desired to fulfil their appointment therein, and report to next Mo. meeting.

One of the Committee appointed to inspect into the clearness of John Howland respecting Marriage and conversation, report that nothing appears to obstruct therein [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] according to [illegible] to his Intention, Thomas Russell being sent to Nantucket hath sent no answer in regard to that of John Howland, the rest of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] which is referred to next Mo. meeting.

The Comtee appointed to labour with Wm Howland junr for neglecting the due attendance of our Religious meetings, and being at much concern in outward [illegible]-ment - have reported that they have fulfilled their appointment and that he gave them no satisfaction, they are therefore continued to labour further with him on those Matters aforesd & all other disorderly conduct of his that may come to their knowledge, and if he doth not give them satisfaction, to draw a Testimony of denial against him, and bring it to next Monthly meeting.

John Howland and Anne Howland appearing & communicating their continued intention of taking each other in Marriage, their answer was that nothing appearing to obstruct, they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient Time between this and next Monthly meeting, advising with the friends that this Meeting may appoint to see their said Marriage orderly accomplished, and we appoint George Smith and William Anthony junr and they to report to next Mo meeting.

The Treasurer reports that he hath forwarded the money to the Quarterly meeting's Treasurer agreeable to the direction of last Mo meeting, and the Committee appointed to receive subscriptions for a particular [illegible] not having fully gone through that matter, they are still continued in that Service, and to report to next Mo. meeting.

The Friends appointed to repair the Fence about the Meeting house, report, that they have made a Considerable progress therein they are continued to compleat the same and report when it is done.

The request of Bedford friends is referred to next Monthly meeting.

Collected at the So Prepara meeting 6..11
at the North 16..9
£1..3..8

12 mo 1786 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of 12th month 1786, The Representatives from the Prepara Meetings are from the North Wm Gifford and Jonathan Hart all present, from the So Adin Gifford & Thos Russell.

Our Clerk being yet absent, Wm Anthony junr is chosen in that Service for this Time.

Thomas Russell reports that he hath

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[illegible] which is a suf-ficient reason for his not reporting to last Mo meeting.

Ruth Hathaway remd.

A removal Certificate for Ruth Hathaway Widow was signed by the Clerk, directed to the Monthly meeting of Nine Part-ners, she being gone there to dwell.

The Women inform that they have ac-cepted of the acknowledgment of [illegible] which this Meeting concurs with.

The Committee appointed in respect to the [illegible] inform they have not accomplished their appointment by reason of some disappointment, they are therefore continued in that service and to report to next mo. meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the marriage of [illegible] report, that they attended the same, and saw nothing, but that it was orderly solemniz'd.

The Committee appointed respecting Friends using and selling spirituous Liquors not having fully [illegible] upon, they are continued in that service and to report next Monthly meeting.

The Matter of [illegible] this Meeting coming under consideration, [illegible] accordingly [illegible].

The Friends in [illegible] living [illegible] Joseph Tucker and Wm Gifford [illegible] into consideration and report their sense and judgment thereon to the adjournment of this Meeting.

Answers to the Queries from each Pre-parative Meeting being produced; this Meeting appoints Wm Gifford and [illegible] to complete the Answers and bring them to the ad-journment of this Meeting.

Collected at the So Prepar.e meeting ^{s} 9..7 ^{d}
at the North none

This Meeting adjourns to the 27th instant after the Meeting of Worship.

12th month 27th Met by Adjournment

The Representatives being all present.

Part of the Committee in respect to Wills, report that they have made some progress in [illegible] Friends to an [illegible] in that part of our discipline, and [illegible], that there are some backward and many deficient therein the same Friends are continued in that service with the addition of [illegible] Gifford and Joseph Tucker, and they together are desired to make such further [illegible] as may be necessary and make report next 2d month.

The Overseers inform that Abraham Russell son of [illegible] hath left [illegible] and married with one not a Member of our Society, for which they have treated with and cautioned him - but he [illegible] with

12 mo 1786 Wm Russell [illegible] do therefore disown him the said [illegible] as a Member of our Society and from under the care of this Meeting & [illegible] Rotch is desired to inform him thereof and report to next Mo meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] denied. The Committee appointed some time past in the case of [illegible] report that they have had several opportunities with him, that he did not give them satisfaction and continues in his former conduct, therefore under the consideration of our Testimony, we do disown the said [illegible] as a Member of our Society and from under this Meetings care, and [illegible] is desired to inform him thereof, [illegible] and report to this Meeting.

The Friends appointed to consider the request of Friends [illegible] to hold a meeting [illegible] report that they [illegible] which is agreed, this Meeting concludes to grant accordingly, and [illegible] appoint [illegible] [illegible] Tucker jur Prince Slocum Benjamin [illegible] and Caleb Gifford to have the oversight of said Meeting, which is to be held on each first day of the week except that preceding the Monthly meeting, and each 3d day except in the week there is a [illegible], to begin from this Time till the Mo meeting in the 4th month next, said Meetings to begin at the 11th hour, and to be continued at the House of Susanna [illegible], unless the said Committee shall think it best to [illegible] [illegible] in which case they to report to this Meeting [illegible] the Time of holding said Meeting is expired.

The Friends appointed produced the compiled Answers to the Queries, which with the Queries were read in this Meeting, and an acct drawn, signed by the Clerk, and forwarded with said Answers to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Caleb Gifford Wm Anthony junr & Samuel Smith, who are to report to next Mo meeting.

Part of the Committee continued to [illegible] [illegible] for a [illegible] for [illegible] & [illegible] Meetings Stock, report that they are not yet ready, they are continued to go thro' that matter and report to next Mo meeting.

1 mo 1787 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 1st month 1787, The Representatives from the Prepa Meetings are from the South are Prince Slocum and Joseph Tucker jur, from the North [illegible] Austin and [illegible] [illegible] present.

Our Clerk being absent William Anthony jur is chosen Clerk for this Time.

Wm [illegible] The Committee appointed in the case of Wm [illegible] jur report that they have fully discharged their appointment in that Matter and received no satisfaction from him, and a draught of a Testimony of his denial, which had the concurrence of the Meeting, which was signed by the Clerk and Wm Anthony jur is desired to read sd Testimony in the usual manner, and report to next Mo Meeting; the Testimony is as follows,

Whereas William [illegible] jur having been [illegible]

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[illegible] among us [illegible] by his paying a Fine to a Magistrate for Swearing; for all which we with [illegible] [illegible] with him, but he not giving Satisfaction, [illegible] this Meeting gives this forth as a Public Testimony against him denying him from any right of Membership with us: untill by unfeigned Repentance he shall be restored to the Way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 17th of 1st month 1785
by William Anthony jr Clerk this day

Collected by [illegible] Monthly meeting 9 " 8
[illegible] 16 " 5
total 1 " 6 " 1

The Committee that had the Care of the matter in respect to using & selling spirituous Liquors, not being ready to report, the matter is referred to next Monthly meeting for them to make report.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that one of them attended, the other was detained by infirmity of Body.

The Committee on behalf of Friends continued to receive Subscriptions for the Yearly & Quarterly meetings Stock report that they have not fully accomplished that Matter; they are therefore continued in that Service and to report to next Monthly meeting.

[illegible] [illegible], son of [illegible] [illegible] requests to be received into Membership with us therefore, Caleb Gifford & Christopher Gifford are appointed to visit with him thereon in order to discover his Motive, whether he comes from true Conviction, and report to next Monthly meeting.

[illegible] Gifford hath given in a Paper of acknowledgment as follows

To the Monthly meeting of Friends to be held in Dartmouth 20th of 11th month 1786.

Dear Friends

Some Matter of dissatisfaction having arose between Seth [illegible] and myself respecting some land [illegible] Property, which thro' unwatchfulness I spoke to him about [illegible] before several Persons out of our Society, carrying the Matter further than was best, accusing him of taking some Cedar Stuff off the Land which was in dispute between my son Wm. Gifford and some of the [illegible] without proper Leave or consent of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] hoping Friends will find freedom to pass it by and continue their affectionate care [illegible] towards me

Dartmouth 10 mo 16. 1786.
[illegible] her X mark Gifford.

And this Meeting doth concur with the Womens Meeting in accepting the same for satisfaction.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 2d Month 1787. The Representatives from the Preparative meeting [illegible] in the [illegible] Seth Russell, Gifford and [illegible] Smith, Jonathan Howland and Thomas Smith who being called were all present.

Received four printed Copies of the last London Epistle one of which was read in this Meeting to Satisfaction and the others are directed to be read in our several Meetings in the usual Public Manner and returned to this Meeting.

William Anthony jun^r informs that the Testimony of William [illegible] Denial hath been read as directed last Mo. meeting, and as he requests a Copy of it the Clerk is directed to give him a Copy and report to the next Mo. meeting.

Gideon Howland reports, that he had a Solid opportunity with Abr^m Russell son of Thomas, and informed him of his Denial.

The Committee in the Case of using and Selling Spiritous Liquors, not being fully ready to make report, they are therefore continued in that service to next meeting.

The Committee in respect to Wills, report that they have made further progress in that Service, but have not fully accomplished, they are therefore continued to accomplish it, and report to next Mo meeting.

The Committee in the Case of Peleg Slocum's request, report, that they have had a Solid opportunity with him, yet think it best, that the matter be continued, which is accordingly continued, under the same Friends care together with Caleb Green, who are to report to next Mo. meeting.

The Committee appointed some time past to visit such as neglect the attendance of our religious Meetings &c now present the following Report."

"To the Monthly meeting to be held at Dartmouth the 19th of 2d Month 1787.

We of your Committee appointed some time past to visit such as neglect the due attendance of our religious Meetings and other Irregularities &c, have attended from time to time as way opened and endeavoured as Strength and ability was given [illegible] to our Satisfaction, and now finding ourselves clear, make this Report and remain your Friends.

James Davis
Martha Gifford
Alice Gifford."

Which was read, and is Satisfactory.

The Overseers inform that Joseph Russell son of William dec^d is guilty of the Sin of Fornication as appears by the Accusation of Barbara Russell on Oath, for which they have laboured with him, but not receiving Satisfaction, we therefore appoint Joseph Barker Wm Anthony ju

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and Timothy Gifford to labour further with him thereon and if he don't give them Satisfaction to draught a Testimony of his denial, inform him thereof and report to next mo. meeting.

The So Preparative meeting in their acct inform that they have collected & paid to our Treast 14"4
the North 7"2½
£1"1"6½

The Overseers inform that Giles Slocum hath much neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, and hath sometimes resorted in Company not becoming our Profession, and partook too much Spirituous Liquors, for all which, they labour'd with him but he did not give them Satisfaction, John Devol & Wm Gifford are therefore appointed to labour further with him thereon, and report to next Mo. meeting.

The overseers also inform that [illegible] hath much neglected the attendance of our Religious Meetings, and that it is reported he frequently [illegible] too freely of Spirituous Liquors for which they labour'd with him, but he not clearing himself to their Satisfaction. We therefore appoint [illegible] and Giles Slocum to treat further with him thereon, and report to next mo. meeting.

The Committee continued to receive Subscriptions for the Yearly and Quarterly meetings Stock, report that they have collected £1"2"8 since first collection and paid to the Treasurer, which with £2"7"11 paid and Subscribed at the time together with acct of £1"11"3 [illegible] with them, with what was paid before into Quarterly meetings [illegible] Stock makes £10"6"6, and the Treasurer is directed to forward the said acct with the money to the Qy Meetings Treasurer & report to next Mo. meeting.

3 mo 1787

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 3d mo. 1787, The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings, named in their accts presented are, from the South Joseph Tucker and Wm Gifford; from the North Joseph Austin and Jonathan Hart, who on being called are all present.

The Clerk informs that he hath [illegible] a copy of the Testimony of Wm [illegible] and read it to him.

The Committee on the account of Treating with those who may unnecessarily deal in Spirituous Liquors make report; which is accepted and is as follows,

"We of your Committee appointed sometime past; to treat with such as may be in the Practice of sleeping in our Meetings, as also to advise those who may unnecessarily deal in Spirituous Liquors, now report that we have attended in some measure thereto, and have lovingly treated with those who have been so [illegible]; and think, that a Committee to treat with such amongst us as may be in the Practice of Sleeping in meeting would be useful; and that we should be dismissed from our Appointment, which we submit to the Meeting.

3 mo
1787

To the Monthly meeting
to be held in 3d mo. 1787.

Thomas Hicks
Abiel Gifford
John Devol
Caleb Greene
William Gifford

and said Committee are dismiss'd accordingly.

Abiel Gifford, Benjamin Taber, Thomas Hicks, John Devol, Caleb Greene, Benjamin Allen (son of Caleb) are appointed to treat tenderly with such of our Members as may be overtaken with sleep, nodding or other signs of sleep in our religious Meetings, and make report from Time to Time as may be necessary.

The Committee in Case of Peleg Howland's request, report that they have had a solid opportunity with him, and think best the Matter be referred, which is done accordingly, under the same friends Care, who are to report to next Mo Meeting.

One of the Friends in Peleg Slocum 2d Case, reports that he with the other friend had a solid opportunity with Peleg; that he gave them some encouragement, and that he thinks best the Matter be referred, it is accordingly continued under the same friends Care, who are to report to next monthly meeting.

The Committee in the Case of Micajah Wilcox report, that they had a solid conference with him; that he acknowledged to them his [illegible] Seditious Signing the paper, and gave them some encouragement, that they think best to refer the Matter; it is accordingly continued under the same friends Care except Wm Tripp, who by his desire on acct of weakness of body is dismiss'd - the other friends to attend thereto and report to next Mo Meeting.

Jos. Russell's
denial

The Committee appointed in the Case of Joseph Russell (son of William dec'd) report that two of them have had an opportunity with him, that he gave them no Satisfaction, nor did he desire friends to wait with him, they therefore produced a draught of a Testimony of his denial, which was read, and with the Meeting's Concurrence signed by the Clerk and is as follows,

Whereas Joseph Russell son of William (late of Dartmouth deceased) having had a Birthright among Friends and under the care of this Meeting, but by not adhering to the dictates of Truth which appears in the Heart, hath so far departed from the Principles we profess, as to fall into the Sin of Fornication, (as declared by [illegible] Russell upon Oath) and friends having laboured in love to convince him of the evil tendency thereof, and to restore him to the way of Truth, but not receiving satisfaction, nor he disposed to condemn said Conduct; therefore for the clearing Truth and friends from the reproach of such evil conduct - this Meeting is concerned to give this forth as a public Testimony against him the said Joseph Russell, hereby disowning him from any right of Membership with us, until

3 mo 178[illegible] he shall come to a sight and sense of his outgoings and be restored to the way of Truth, which is our sincere desire.

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in [illegible] the 19th day of [illegible] 178[illegible]

by Caleb Greene Clerk.

and Wm Anthony Junr is desired to cause the same to be read in the usual public manner and return it [illegible] to the next meeting.

Jas Davis. Minute for [illegible]

[illegible] informs that [illegible] attend the last Monthly meeting of [illegible] [illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Quarterly [illegible] the Monthly meeting [illegible] the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this Minute.

[illegible] informs that [illegible] [illegible] his right as a Member, this meeting considering [illegible] [illegible] a Member of this Meeting the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this Minute.

[illegible] Shepherd Junr desiring a Removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Wm Anthony Junr [illegible] appointed to take the necessary care [illegible] [illegible] to the adjournment of this Meeting.

The South Preparative meeting in their acct informs that they have collected and sent to the Treasurer 11..4

The North 12..11

Total £1..4..3

Caleb Greene and Joseph Austin are appointed to compile the Answers to the Queries from the Preparative meetings, with a [illegible] to the Quarterly Meeting, and [illegible] to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 28th Instant after the Meeting for Worship.

28th Met by adjournment.

The Representatives being called [illegible] [illegible].

The Committee in respect to Wills report that they have made further inspection therein that they find [illegible] deficiency amongst Friends in making Wills, the same Committee are continued, to labour in that Concern, as way may open, and report to next meeting.

The Friends appoi to draw Certificates for John Shepherd junr and David [illegible], report that they are not fully accomplished, they are continued - they are continued to accomplish them and report to next meeting.

The Queries were read with the

3rd mo 1787

Coming from the Preparative Meetings [illegible] the consideration of them [illegible] by the Friends appointed, [illegible] to the Quarterly Meeting [illegible] and [illegible] Representatives [illegible] William Anthony jun^r, Caleb Barker, and [illegible] appointed [illegible]; they to report to next Mo. Meeting.

The Committee [illegible] not had opportunity to [illegible] is continued [illegible] to next Mo. Meeting.

4th mo 1787

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of the 4th month 1787. The Representatives from the Preparative meetings named in the Accounts presented, are from the South Elihu Gifford and Benjamin Chace, from the North Benjamin Taber and John Tucker, who [illegible] called, were all present.

The Committee in the Case of [illegible] Howland's Request report, that they have not all had opportunity with him, since last Monthly meeting & think it best to defer it; it is accordingly [illegible] under the same Friends care till next Mo. meeting, they then to report.

The Friends appointed in Peleg Slocum 2d's Case report, that they have not all had opportunity with him, and desire the Matter continued — it is accordingly continued under their care, who are to report to next Monthly Meeting.

One of the Committee appointed in the case of Micajah [illegible] report that they have not had opportunity with him, [illegible] William Anthony jun^r [illegible] added in that appointment, are continued to take a solid opportunity with Micajah and report to next Monthly meeting.

William Anthony jun^r reports that the testimony against Joseph [illegible] hath been read as directed, and that he was informed of his denial.

John Shepherd [illegible] The Friends appointed produced a removal certificate for [illegible] directed to the [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] his outward affairs [illegible] to satisfaction, and [illegible] clear of marriage engagements as far as appears, which was [illegible] that the certificate [illegible] not yet [illegible] therefore continued to [illegible] and [illegible] to next Monthly meeting.

Barnabas Shepherd — Barnabas Shepherd has produced his Certificate [illegible] from the Monthly Meeting in [illegible] in 1781 with an Endorsement thereon signifying that his outward affairs were settled to satisfaction, and that he was clear of marriage engagements as far as appears.

Thomas Hicks reports that he hath inform'd Richard Latham of his Denial agreeable to appointment.

James Davis hath return'd the Copy of a minute of last Monthly meeting having attended [illegible]

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1787

[illegible]

The Committee in respect to Peleg, [illegible] that they have not made any further progress therein, they are therefore continued with [illegible] and [illegible] who are now added to them, to labour as way may open, and report to next Monthly meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended said Meeting with the account from this Meeting.

The Treasurer reports that the Balance due from this Meeting, for the [illegible] of Quarterly Meeting's Stock, was forwarded as directed.

The Preparative Meetings in their accts inform that they have collected and sent to our Treasurer viz

	£ s
the South	[illegible]
[illegible]	9–0
	13–6

John Howland, John Devol, Abiel Gifford, Benjamin Taber, Joseph Tucker Junr, [illegible] Gideon Gifford and William Anthony Junr are appointed to attend the Burying of deceased friends, according to the direction of the Yearly Meeting in the Book of Discipline thereon.

The friends appointed to attend the Meetings [illegible] report, that tho' the time is expired of holding them, yet they are not ready to make a full report, they are continued to finish one and bring to next Mo meeting.

5 mo
1787

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of 5 mo 1787. The Representatives named in the Accts presented from the Preparative Meetings are from the South [illegible] and Peleg Gifford, [illegible], Thomas Mott and [illegible], who are Called and all present.

The Committee in the Case of Peleg Howland's request Report that they have all had opportunity with him, to a degree of satisfaction, yet from some Circumstances, think best that the Matter be refered one Month longer, it is accordingly refered to next Mo meeting under the same friends care, they then to report.

The Friends appointed in [illegible] Case, report that they have not had opportunity with him since last Monthly meeting, and desire the Matter continued, it is accordingly continued under the same friends care, who are to report to next Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed in the Case of [illegible] report that they have not all had opportunity with him, and desire the Matter refered, which is [illegible] accordingly under their care, who are to report to next Mo meeting.

The friends appointed, returned a draught of a Certificate for [illegible], directed to the Mo Meeting of [illegible], signifying he is a Member, that he settled his outward affairs to satisfaction, and clear of [illegible]

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Engagements so far as appears, which was signed by the Clerk.

Part of the Committee in [illegible] Case, report that they have had Opportunity with [illegible] on that Subject but have not as yet the answer [illegible] desired, the Committee are continued to [illegible] to a speedy and [illegible] compliance in that duty, and report to the Monthly Meeting in 8 mo next.

The Committee [illegible] of the Meetings in [illegible], report that they were attended, and kept up to pretty good Satisfaction.

The appointment [illegible] being [illegible] to this Meeting [illegible], [illegible] consideration and [illegible] for that place for the Consideration of this and the Women's meeting. [illegible] Joseph [illegible] and [illegible] are a Committee in conjunction with those the Women may appoint to take a solid opportunity with said friends in order to discover the Qualifications for that weighty Service and report their Sense thereof to next Meeting.

Seth Huddlestone informing that he is about to remove to [illegible] in North Carolina with his Family and desiring our Certificate, [illegible] and [illegible] in conjunction with those the Women may appoint to make the necessary enquiry and prepare one for them if suitable and bring it to the adjournment of this Meeting.

The friends appointed sometime past in the case of [illegible] and solid Opportunities with him on that Matter; and had some Inspection, on his Conduct; and tho' he hath not therein given us the desired Satisfaction in full; yet we believe the Labour extended toward him hath had some good Effect, at least in restraining from that habitual and excessive use of spirituous Liquors, and we think the Matter may be still continued under the Care of a Committee [illegible] we submit it to the Meeting.

[illegible] 19th 5 mo 1785.

David [illegible]
[illegible]
Caleb Greene

which is accepted, and the same friends are continued accordingly in the care of that Matter who are to report when ready.

The Preparative meetings in their Accounts inform that they have collected [illegible], viz. [illegible] 12.2
[illegible] 13.5
[illegible]

The year being expired of the Service of the Clerk which being considered by this Meeting and Caleb Greene being nominated, he is reappointed as Clerk to this Meeting for the year ensuing, or till some other may be appointed in his Stead.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 30th Inst. after the Meeting for Worship.

5 mo 1787 — 30th of the 5th month, Met by adjournment. The Representatives being called, were present.

Seth Huddlestone & family [illegible] — The Friends appointed produced a Draught of a Certificate for Seth Huddlestone, his Wife Lydia and their Children whose names are [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], Jonathan, Mary, Elizabeth and Hannah; which after some alteration was signed by the Clerk, signifying they were Members in Unity, and their outward affairs were settled to Satisfaction, as far as appears. which was directed to the monthly meeting of Friends New Garden in North Carolina.

The School Committee report as follows,

To the Monthly meeting to be held the 21st of 5th month, 1787

We having been appointed sometime past, as a School Committee have made but little progress in that Service, as many in Society seem so little engaged for the Promotion of that branch of Discipline: that it gives us a discouraging Prospect of [illegible] which appears the more so when we consider that some Friends send to schools, out of the Government and direction of Friends and some not uniting in their endeavours to assist in this part of the Education of their Children, tho we may say that there are a few whose Concern [illegible] and desire for the Growth of this part of Discipline is such, that we may yet be revived among us and the concern become more general, and think that a Committee continued for that Service, if such may be found will be useful thereunto which we submit to the meeting, desiring we may be dismissed.

Saml Smith
Thos Mott
George Smith
Joseph Austin
Benjamin Howland Jr
Wm Wood
[illegible].

Dartmouth 21st of 5mo 1787.

which is accepted, and they are dismissed accordingly; the appointment of another Committee for that Service, is referred to next Monthly meeting.

6 mo 1787. — At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 6 month 1787. The Representatives named in the accounts presented from the Preparative meetings are from the South Abiel Gifford, and Joseph Tucker junr, North, John Howland and Wm Tripp, who being called were all present.

Peleg Howland received — The Friends appointed in Peleg Howland's case report "that they have had an opportunity with him, to some degree of Satisfaction, tho not with so deep a Sense of true Conviction in him as they could have desired; considering all circumstances, think it best, "that he be admitted as a Member;" which being considered by this, and with the Concurrence of the Womens Meeting, he is admitted as a Member, this meeting accordingly.

The Friends appointed in Peleg Slocum Jr's Case, report, that tho they have taken considerable pains they did not obtain an opportunity with him; they are continued therefore in the Care of that Matter to take an Opportunity to labour further with him, and report to next meeting.

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1787

Two of the friends appointed in the case of Micajah Wilcox report that they have not had opportunity with him, tho' some endeavours were used by them for that purpose; and as Giles Slocum one of the Friends on that appointment, is not likely to attend thereto, he is dismissed, and Timothy Gifford is added and they together are continued & desired to attend to that case, and report to next Mo meeting.

Benj Taber
and Debrah
Davis made
Elders

The Committee appointed to take an opportunity with Benjamin Taber and Deborah Davis, who are named for the place of Elders, report, that they [illegible] [illegible] according to their [illegible] they have in [illegible] [illegible] of the appointment of sd Friends to that place, which being accepted, and the Women's meeting concurring therewith, said Friends are appointed as Elders, with the approbation of the Quarterly Meeting, and that an account thereof be sent up to next Quarter for that purpose.

The Queries were read in this Meeting and the Answers as they were brought from Friends of the Preparative Meetings, and Wm Anthony junr Abiel Gifford and Benjamin Smith, are appointed to compile said Answers, and make an acct to the Quarterly meeting, and bring same to the adjournmt of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 27th Instant at the close of the Meeting for Worship.

27th day Met by Adjournment, The Representatives are called and all present.

John Howland and Abiel Gifford are appointed on the School Committee, and an additional appointment is referred to next Mo. meeting.

The Sd Preparative Meetings in their acct inform that they have collected and paid to the Treasurer of this meeting £.. 8..1
North 11..
..19..1

William Sandford informs that he proposes a Journey to Ninepartners in the Compass of that Monthly meeting, to visit his Children and Friends, which being approved of by this Meeting, he being a Member thereof, the Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this Minute.

The Friends appointed, produced a Compilation of the Answers to the Queries, which with the Queries were read, and an account prepared to the Quarterly meeting, and forwarded by our Representatives, Wm Anthony, junr, Jonathan Hart, and Thomas Mott appointed to attend the same, they to report to next Mo meeting.

The year of the service of Treasurer is expired, yet a new choice is referred to next Monthly meeting.

7 mo
16 8

At a Monthly Meeting held in [illegible] the 16th of the 7th month, &c. The Representatives from the Prepar^e Meetings by the accounts presented are from the South [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible], North, Benjamin Tucker and [illegible] [illegible], who on being called are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended, and produced an Epistle from the meeting, together with Transcripts from the London, Philadelphia & Long Island Yearly [illegible], which were read in this Meeting to our Comfort and Edification.

Overseers: The Choice of Overseers, being referred from last monthly meeting to this, Joseph Tucker Jun^r, Thomas [illegible], Benjamin [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] are appointed for that Service, and as a further Choice is Necessary it is referred to next mo. meeting.

The Friends appointed in [illegible] [illegible]'s case report that they have taken an opportunity with him but that he did not give them satisfaction; yet they are continued in the care of that matter, and if they do not find satisfaction to draw a Testimony of his denial and report it to next Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed in [illegible] Wilcox's Case, report, that they have had a solid Conference with him [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] satisfaction, but at the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Matter is referred under the care of the Friends appointed, who are to report to next Mo meeting.

Ruth Shepherd [illegible]: The Women inform that they have [illegible] to deny Ruth Shepherd, wife of [illegible] Shepherd, which this Meeting concurs with.

The additional appointment of the School Committee, being referred to this Meeting, Wm Anthony Jun^r, William [illegible], Caleb [illegible], Benjamin Tucker, Edmund [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] are appointed for that Service for the year ensuing or till some others may be appointed.

James Rogers produced a Certificate from the Mo. meeting of [illegible], signifying his right of membership and clearness of Marriage Engagements, which was read in this Meeting to satisfaction, as also a Certificate of his Parents' Consent to proceed in Marriage with Deborah Smith.

The Overseers inform that William [illegible] is guilty of the Sin of Fornication, as appears by the accusation of [illegible] [illegible], and also by his own Confession, for which they have labored with him but not obtaining satisfaction, we therefore appoint Wm Anthony Jun^r, Thomas Hicks to labor further with him therein, and if he doth not give them satisfaction, to draw a Testimony of his denial, and report it to next Mo meeting.

Jas Rogers & D Smith [illegible] — also B Tucker and Abby [illegible]: James Rogers and Deborah Smith and Benjamin Tucker Jun^r and Abby [illegible] having each couple declared their Intentions of taking each other in Marriage were directed to wait till next Mo meeting for their Answer, they having Consent of Parents, and [illegible] Russell and [illegible] Russell are appointed to inspect Benjamin's Clearness in respect to Marriage and Conversation, and report to next Mo. meeting.

7 mo 1787. The Preparative Meetings in their accts inform that they have collected and paid to the Treasurer, the South £ -„7„2
North 11„2
18„4

The Quarterly Meeting in their last Epistle inform that they have concluded with agreement of our Representatives, for this Meeting to raise the Sum of £8„8 for the use of Yearly and Quarterly Meetings Stock, which is concluded by this Meeting to be collected in each of our Preparative Meetings, and they are desired to return it to the Treasurer & an acco to this Meeting.

8 mo 1787 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 8th month 1787, the Representatives named in the accounts presented from the Prepara Meetings are, from the South, Elihu Gifford and Benjamin Allen, and of [illegible], [illegible] Hart and John Howland, who on being called were all present.

Overseers. The further Choice of Overseers being referred to this Meeting, Jonathan Hart & Wm Anthony Junr are appointed to that Service in addition to those appointed last Monthly Meeting, for the year ensuing or till others may be appointed in their stead, the said Overseers to report to this Meeting at least once a quarter.

The Friends appointed in Peleg Slocum Jun's case produced a draught of a Testimony of his denial, but at the desire of some friends, the signing it, is deferred to next Mo meeting, for further consideration.

Micajah Wilcox case is referred to next Mo meeting, under the same friends' care, as were appointed, as he is gone a voyage to sea.

The Friends appointed in William Slocum's case desire it continued, it is accordingly continued under their care, till next Mo meeting, they then to report.

Wilbour Gifford rec'd by Certif. A Certificate from [illegible] Mo meeting in behalf of Wilbour Gifford, signifying he has settled his outward affairs to satisfaction & is clear of Marriage Engagements, was read and accepted, he having returned from living at a Distance.

The Prepara Meetings in their accts inform that they have collected and paid the Treasr viz the South 8„2
North 13„6
1„1„8

The friends appointed to inspect into the clearness of Benjamin Taber Junr respecting Marriage and conversation report that they do not find any thing sufficient to obstruct his proceeding in Marriage.

Henry Rogers and Deborah Smith also Benjamin Taber Junr and Roby Akin appeared for their Answers which were, that we do not find any thing to hinder each Couples proceeding to take each other in Marriage, between this and next Mo meeting advising with the friends this Meeting may appoint to see their Marriages orderly Solemnized, who are Abiel Gifford

8 mo 1787 and Benjamin Howland 2d to attend that of James & Deborah and Seth Russell & Daniel Russell the other, they to report to next Mo meeting.

This Meeting is informed that the Preparative Meetings are in [illegible] to collect the money for Yearly and Quarterly meetings Stock, the Representatives therefrom are desired to inform s^d Overseers of s^d Meetings desire that they endeavour to accomplish that matter & forward the money to our Treasurer and [illegible] to next Mo Meeting.

Subscrip^n for Eben^r Pope — Received a Copy of a Minute of our last Yearly Meeting recommending a Benevolent Subscription for the relief of our suffering Brother Ebenezer Pope in the late fire at [illegible], whereupon it is agreed that £5. be forwarded to him out of our Treasury by the first Conveyance and the Treas^r to report thereof to next Mo Meeting. —

[illegible] informs that he paid 6s 8d for [illegible] travelling Friends having [illegible] past, which the Treasurer is directed to pay when supplied with money and report to this Meeting.

9 mo 1787 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 9th Month 1787. The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings [illegible] are from the [illegible] and [illegible], Benjamin [illegible] and [illegible], who being called are all present.

Micajah Wilcox's case is deferred till next Mo meeting as the Friends appointed therein have had no opportunity with him.

Peleg Slocum [illegible] — The Friends who drew Peleg Slocum's Testimony report that they have had an opportunity with him, and read the Testimony of his denial to him, but nothing appearing to the satisfaction of Friends; the said Testimony was signed by the Clerk with the Concurrence of the Womens Meeting, and Benjamin Smith jun^r is appointed to cause the same to be read in the usual public Manner, and report it to next Monthly Meeting, said Testimony is as follows,

Whereas Peleg Slocum, son of Holder Slocum and Rebecca his Wife deceased, of the Town of Dartmouth; having his birthright and Education among the People called Quakers but by disobedience to the Principles of Truth in his own Heart hath greatly neglected the attendance of our religious Meetings for a considerable time. In which he hath associated himself with unprofitable company and hath drank of Spirituous liquors to excess, for all which he hath been laboured with, but he not inclining to condemn it to Friends Satisfaction, therefore we give this forth as a public Testimony disowning him the said Peleg Slocum from being any longer a Member of our Society, and from under the care of this Meeting, until he may come to a sight and sense of his outgoings, and condemn the same to Friends satisfaction which is our sincere Desire.

Given forth by our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in

June 1787 Dartmouth this 17th Day of the 9th month 1787. Signed in and on behalf of said Meeting

by Caleb Greene Clerk.

Phebe Russell [illegible] The Women's Meeting have concluded to [illegible] Phebe Russell daughter of Elijah which this Meeting Concurs with, [illegible] was read.

The Friends appointed to see the Marriages of [illegible] and Benjamin Tucker Jun and [illegible] accomplished, report that they attended them according to appointment, and nothing appeared but what was orderly solemnized and conducted.

The Treasurer reports that the Money contributed to be sent to our friends [illegible] he has forwarded accordingly [illegible] for the same.

The Queries were read and answers drawn from the Several Meetings, and Benjamin Tucker, [illegible] Davis and Caleb Greene are appointed to Compile said answers, draw an Account to the Quarterly Meeting, and report to the Adjournment of this Meeting.

Peleg Howland and M Tucker Peleg Howland and Mary Tucker Jun declared their Intention of taking each other in Marriage having consent of Parents, and were desired to wait till next Mo Meeting for answer & Benjamin Taber and Wm Gifford are appointed to inquire Peleg's Clearness in respect to Marriage and Conversation, and report to next Mo Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 26th Instant at the close of the Meeting for worship.

26th day met by Adjournment

The Representatives being called were all present.

The Friends appointed in William [illegible] Case report, that they have attended somewhat to it, yet desire it deferred, it is therefore continued under the same friends care, together with Benjamin Taber & Philip Trafford, who are added in that appointment; they to report to next Mo Meeting.

Jonathan Hart and Thomas Russell are added to the Committee appointed in the 5th month 1778 to have the Care of our burying Grounds; and allowing such as they think proper, who may not be Members of our Society on application to be buried in them.

The Friends appointed produced an Examination of the answers to the Queries, with an account to the Quarterly Meeting, which were read & sign'd by the Clerk and forwarded by our Representatives whom are Joseph Tucker Jun Benjamin Taber and John Devol they to report to next Mo Meeting.

This Meeting concluding to inform the Quarterly Meeting that our Meeting house at Aponiganset is old and out of Repair, and request their advice respecting the building a new one or repairing this and Peleg Gifford, Wm Gifford, Simeon Howland, Thomas Russell and

9 mo 1787. Wm Anthony jun.r [illegible] appointed [illegible] the 2d meeting may appoint thereon, and report to next Monthly meeting.

[illegible] Russell, Caleb Russell and [illegible] Cory are appointed to attend [illegible] Quarterly Meeting, [illegible] and report to next Monthly meeting.

The Preparative Meetings have collected the £ 8 " 8, for the Yearly and Quarterly Meetings stock, and paid it to our Treasurer, who is desired to forward it to the Quarterly meeting's Treasurer and report to next Monthly meeting.

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10 mo 1787

At a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 10th Mo 1787. The Representatives [illegible]

The Friends appointed in [illegible] Wilcox's Case report, that they have not all had Opportunity with him, since his return from Sea, they are therefore continued to take a full opportunity with him, and report to next Mo. meeting.

Benjamin Smith jun.r reports that the Testimony of the Denial of Peleg Slocum 2d or son of Holder has been read as directed.

The Friends appointed to inspect Peleg [illegible] clearness in order to Marriage [illegible] found nothing sufficient to obstruct his proceeding in Marriage.

Williams Slocum Denial.

The Friends appointed in Williams Slocum's case report that they have [illegible] taken a solid opportunity with him [illegible] Jurisdiction [illegible] themselves toward him and said Committee having produced a draught of the Testimony of his Denial as directed, which, with the Concurrence of the Women was signed by the Clerk, and Wm Anthony jun.r is appointed to cause it to be read [illegible] in the manner [illegible], inform Williams thereof & report to next Mo meeting, P Testimony is as follows

Whereas Williams Slocum son of Peleg Slocum and Elizabeth his wife of Dartmouth having had a Birthright among us the People called Quakers, and under the care of this Meeting, [illegible] Therefore for the clearing Truth and Friends from the reproach of such his conduct this Meeting is concerned to give forth this Testimony against him the said Williams Slocum, hereby disowning him from any right of Membership with us, and from under the care of this Meeting, until he comes sincerely [illegible] and be restored in the truth, which is our desire [illegible].

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1787

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 10th Month 1787.

Caleb Greene Clerk.

[illegible] of Mary Tucker jun ap-pointed [illegible] that they have not [illegible] sufficient to [illegible] at a [illegible] time between this and next Monthly meeting [illegible] this Meeting [illegible] Wm Barker [illegible] report to next Meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, report that they all attended, and produced an Epistle therefrom, which was read in this Meeting to Satisfaction.

The Committee appointed on account of our Meeting house at Apponegansett report that they have attended thereto, and conferred with the Preparative Meetings [illegible] thereon, they are continued to make a full Report at next Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed to procure [illegible] for the Preparative Meetings report that they have attended and purchased three [illegible] of a Book [illegible] the use of the Preparative Meetings, which the Treasurer is directed to pay.

The Treasurer reports that the Money for Yearly and Qy meetings Stock was forwarded as directed by said Meeting.

Elihu Mosher and Ruth Brightman [illegible] — Elihu Mosher and Ruth Brightman declared their Intention of taking each other in Marriage, having consent of Parents in Writing, and were desired to wait till next Mo meeting for Answer, and Wm Gifford and John Devol are appointed to inspect Elihu's Clearness in respect to Marriage and Conversation, and report to next Mo meeting.

Doctor Bill. — The Overseers of the Poor inform that they have settled accounts with Dr [illegible] and paid him, [illegible] for Visits & Medicines for one of our Poor, for which they have no Receipt [illegible] also that they paid [illegible] accounts, the whole of which the Treasurer is directed to pay as soon as he is [illegible] and then report to this Meeting.

The Preparative Meetings in their accounts inform that they have collected and sent to our Treasurer as follows,

Town 5..10½
4..5½

11 mo
1787

At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 11th Month 1787. The accounts from the Preparative Meetings being produced the Representatives therein named are, from the Town Caleb Barker and Joseph Tucker jun, from the Neck John Tucker and Caleb Russell, who being called are all present.

Rec'd three Copies of the London general Epistle of this year, one of which was read to Satisfaction.

[illegible] 87. The Friends appointed in [illegible] case report that have all had Opportunity with him, that he [illegible] desirous to give friends Satisfaction, and gave in a Paper condemning his Misconduct; and the same friends are continued to take the Matter under their Care in order to discover his Sincerity, and report to next Mo meeting.

[illegible] Rogers [illegible] A Removal [illegible] in favour of [illegible] directed to the Monthly meeting of [illegible], was signed by the Clerk.

William Anthony reports that the Recording of [illegible] of William [illegible], has been done as directed, and he informed thereof, and that he desired a Copy of Recording, which the Clerk is directed to give.

David Chace requests a Copy of his Denial which the Clerk is directed to give.

The Friends appointed to attend the Marriage of [illegible] Borden & [illegible] report that they attended accordingly at the Solemnization of one of them at the house of the [illegible] and that it appeared to them the Marriage was conducted in a good degree orderly.

The Treasurer reports that the Twenty six Shillings is paid for Hay as directed.

The Friends appointed to inspect the Clearness of [illegible] respecting Marriage & Conversation report, that they have made the necessary Enquiry & find nothing to prevent his proceeding in Marriage.

[illegible] & [illegible] appeared for their Answer, which was, that we did not find any Thing to hinder their proceeding to take each other in Marriage at some Convenient Time before the end of next Mo meeting, advising them [illegible] to the [illegible] Solemnized, who are William Gifford & [illegible], they to report to next Mo meeting.

Peleg Gifford gives in an account to this Meeting [illegible] day, and to report to this meeting.

Ebenezer Chace's re-ced by cert. A Removal being [illegible] from the Mo Meeting of [illegible] in favour of Ebenezer Chace bearing date the [illegible] of the [illegible] mo last read & received.

[illegible] Smith & H. Tucker intention [illegible] Smith and Hannah Tucker declared their Intention of taking each other in Marriage & also [illegible] Borden, they having Consent of Parents; and were desired to wait till next Mo meeting for Answer and Benjamin [illegible] & [illegible] Borden are appointed to inspect [illegible] Clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation and [illegible] Smith and [illegible] Borden [illegible], and report to next meeting.

C Hathaway & Abigail Smith [illegible]

Humphrey [illegible] a Member of Sandwich Mo Meeting and Abigail Smith declared their

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Lemuel Chase
and E Potter
intention
also
Giles Smith
and R Howland

Intention of taking each other in Marriage [illegible] Lemuel Chase a member of Acoaxet Mo Meeting & Elizabeth Potter declared their Intention and were each desired to wait till next Mo meeting for answer. Said Men Friends produced certificates from their Monthly Meetings signifying they are Members & clear of Marriage engagements, they also produced Consent of their Parents in writing.

The Comt^ee appointed on settling our Meeting house accounts, report that they have attended thereto, but have not quite through [illegible] some obstructions & desire it continued; it is accordingly continued under their care who are to report to next Monthly meeting.

The Prepar^ve Meetings in their acc^ts inform that they have collected & sent to our Treasurer viz South 8..0
North 16..1
£ 1..4..1

Shubael Bunker desiring a removal certificate for himself, Wife & Child to the Mo meeting for the Northern District of Philad^a he having removed within the limits thereof, Barnabas Russell & Caleb Greene are appointed in conjunction with the Friends whom the Women may appoint; to take the necessary care therein & report it to next Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed on the case of our Meeting house at Aponeganset report that they have not fully accomplished their appointment, but have drawn a Subscription for that purpose which they are desired to proceed with & inform this Meeting [illegible] at next Mo meeting.

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1787

At a Mo Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 12 mo 1787. The Representatives named in the acc^ts presented from the Prepar^ve Meetings are, from the South Prince Gifford & Gideon Howland, North, Caleb Russell & John Tucker, who, on being called were all present;

The Friends appointed to the care of [illegible] Friends Papers & [illegible] & [illegible] desire it continued, which is accordingly continued under their care, who are to report to next Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed to see the Marriage of Elihu Mosher & Ruth Howland orderly accomplished, report that they attended said Marriage & one of them at Elihu's house and nothing appeared but that it was in a good degree orderly.

The Treasurer reports that Prince Giffords acc^t is paid as directed by last Monthly Meeting.

One of the Friends appointed to inquire into the Clearness of Collins Smith respecting Marriage & Conversation reports, that he and the other Friend made enquiry & find no sufficient obstruction to his proceeding in Marriage.

The Friends appointed to inquire into the clearness of Giles Smith respecting Marriage & Conversation, report, that they made enquiry and find nothing sufficient to obstruct his proceeding in Marriage.

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1787

[illegible]
approved.
remove.

The Friends appointed produced a [illegible] for [illegible], his Wife and young [illegible] directed to the Monthly Meeting for the Northern District of Philadelphia [illegible] of each meeting.

Collins Smith & Hannah Tucker, also [illegible] appointed for that meeting, which was, that we do not find any thing sufficient to hinder each Couple's proceeding in Marriage, at some convenient Time between this and next Mo Meeting advising with the Friends that this Meeting appoints to see said Marriages orderly Solemnized & the Certificates thereof recorded, who are Elijah Gifford & Philip Trafford for the first, & [illegible] & George Smith the latter Couple, they to report to next Mo Meeting.

[illegible] which was that nothing appeared to obstruct each Couple's proceeding to take each other in Marriage at some proper Time between this and next Mo Meeting advising with the Friends that this Meeting may appoint to see said Marriages orderly solemnized & the Certificates thereof recorded, who are Caleb Russell & Joseph Tucker in that of the first couple, & [illegible] & Wm Gifford in that of the latter, they to report to next Mo. Meeting.

The Clerk informs that [illegible] Testimony of [illegible] continued to do it and report to next Mo Meeting.

Friends [illegible] request to hold Meetings in the four succeeding Months at the [illegible] Houses viz at [illegible] Timothy Gifford's, Elihu Slocum's, & [illegible] Gifford's, one Month at each House, [illegible] excepting the Week day meeting [illegible] Meetings of Discipline, which Request being consistent with the Concurrence of the Women's Meeting is so far granted, as to be under [illegible] Committee, [illegible] report accordingly. We therefore appoint [illegible] Gifford, [illegible] Gifford, Timothy Gifford, Wm [illegible], Joseph Tucker jr &, [illegible] to attend each meeting & report jointly the next Mo meeting after the expiration of said Time.

The Queries were read with the Answers from the Preparative Meetings & Wm Anthony & [illegible] are appointed to [illegible] to the Quarterly Meeting, [illegible] to the adjournment of this Meeting.

The Preparative Meetings in these [illegible] inform that they have collected & sent to this Meeting's Treasurer viz

South	..13..9
North	11..1
	£1..4..10

This Meeting is adjourned [illegible]

[illegible] mo. 1787 26 Instant at the usual Time of Day.

The 26th day Met by adjournment

The Representatives being Called are all present.

The Clerk being absent [illegible] is appointed Clerk for the Day....

A Certificate for David Walling son of John Walling to the Mo Meeting of Providence is requested also one for [illegible] King who is gone to live with a Friend at [illegible] is also requested therefore our Friends [illegible] & Wm [illegible] are appointed to take the necessary care therein & bring certificates for them to next mo Meeting if they find things Clear.

Eliphal [illegible] requests her children may be received under Friends Care whose Names are Edward, Samuel [illegible] [illegible] Thomas & Mary; therefore our friends [illegible] [illegible] & John Tucker are appointed to join the Women & take the necess. care in that Matter & report their Sense thereof [illegible] next mo Meeting.

The [illegible] [illegible] our Meeting house report that they propos'd an House about the Bigness of that at Bedford & the Cost to be about 300£ & have made out Subscriptions to the amt of £241.18s which they are directed to forward to the Quarterly Meetings committee on that Matter.

The Answers to the Queries being compiled into general Answers & an Epistle signed to sd Quarterly Meeting all [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Quarterly Meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Tucker, [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] they to report next Mo Meeting.

1 mo. 1788 At a Mo Meeting held in Dartm the 21st of 1st Mo 1788. The Representatives [illegible] the Prepar. Meetings [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] from the [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] from the North Benjamin Tabor and Thomas Mott, who being called were all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended according to Appointment; and produced an Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting which was read [illegible] this to our Satisfaction.

Visit of Jos Delaplain Solomon Underhill & [illegible] [illegible] Our Esteemed Friends Joseph Delaplain & Solomon Underhill attended this Meeting with their Certificates, viz Joseph's dated from the Mo Meeting at Flushing on Long island the [illegible] of the 11th Mo 1787 and Solomon's from the Mo Meeting at [illegible] the 26th of the 12th Mo 1787, which were read in this Meeting to Satisfaction and their [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] acceptable to us.

Our Friend [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] this Meeting as Companion to our Friend Solomon Underhill, with a Certificate from [illegible] Mo Meeting [illegible] the 24th of 12 mo 1787 being read to Satisfaction & his company acceptable to us.

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1788.

The Clerk reports that the Copy of the Testimony of Wm Stevens's denial has not been forwarded to him as the Minute was not in his Possession, he is continued to do it next meeting.

The friends appointed to the Care of Philip Stevens's paper and discover his Sincerity, desire the matter continued for a further Discovery of his Sincerity, it is therefore continued under the same friends care who are to report to next Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed to see the Marriages of Stephen Smith & Hannah Tucker and of Elisha Smith & Ruth [illegible] report that they all attended according to appointment and that they discovered nothing but what was orderly conducted therein and that the Marriage Certificates were delivered to the Clerk to be recorded.

The friends appointed to oversee the marriage of Humphrey [illegible] and Mary [illegible], also that of Edward Chace and Elizabeth Potter, report that they all attended thereto, that they were accomplished in a good degree orderly; and the Marriage Certificates were forwarded to the Clerk for recording.

The Prepar^ve Meetings in their acc^ts inform that they have collected & sent to our Treasurer, viz^t. South 9"8
North 1:1"4
£ 1"11"

David
Williams
and Dan'l
Wing

The friends appointed produced a draught of a Certificate for David Williams son of John Williams directed to the Mo meeting of R. Island, also another for Daniel Wing directed to the Mo meeting of [illegible], recommending them as members of friendship which were read and signed by the Clerk.

The friends appointed on Stephen Placey's request desire it deferred till next Mo meeting, it is accordingly continued under their care and William Gifford who is added to them, they to report to next Mo Meeting.

One of the Representatives to the Q^y meeting reports that he has receiv'd £2.2 from the Q^y Meetings Treasurer and paid it to our Treasurer it being for the Expenses of Quarterly meeting held here last year.

[illegible] Wade informs that he proposes to make a Journey as far as [illegible] to visit his relations & Friends which this Meeting considered & concurred with, he being a member in Unity, and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this Minute.

2 mo
1788.

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 2d Month 1788. The Representatives from the Prepar^ve Meetings by the Accounts presented are, from the South, Thomas Howland and Peleg Gifford, North Wm Gifford and John Howland, who being called were all present.

The Clerk informs that the Copy of the Testimony of Williams Stevens's denial is forwarded to him.

The friends on Stephen Placey's request report that they have visited the family of the Petitioner and Concluded

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the Matter and Minutes are referred they [illegible], giving the friends some Satisfaction; the Matter is referred to next Meeting, under the same friends care who are then to report.

[illegible]

The Meeting of Women friends informing that they are about to disown Elizabeth [illegible] now wife of David [illegible] and Deborah [illegible], now wife of [illegible] for marrying out of the unity of Friends, which this Meeting concurs with.

[illegible] being [illegible] his journey with the Copy of the Minute for him, of last Mo. Meeting.

Joseph Estes produced a Certificate from the Mo. Meeting of Rhodeisland [illegible] last, [illegible] his orderly Membership and clearness in respect to Marriage; also [illegible] consent of his Parents to proceed in Marriage with Edith [illegible]

[illegible] concerning his unguardedly taking so much Spirituous Liquor as to be disordered therewith; wherefore [illegible] are appointed to take a [illegible] opportunity with him in order to discover his Sincerity, and report to next Mo. meeting.

[illegible] Joseph Estes and Edith [illegible]

Edith [illegible] intention

Joseph Estes and Edith [illegible], declared their Intention of taking each other in Marriage, and were ordered to wait till next Monthly Meeting for Answer.

Wilcox [illegible] gave in a Paper condemning his [illegible] marriage contrary to the Order of friends; desiring friends to pass by his misconduct, which being considered is accepted for Satisfaction.

John Place

John Place [illegible] having removed within the Mo. Meeting and produced a Certificate from the Mo. meeting of Rhodeisland, dated 27th of 11mo last signifying he is a Member, his outward affairs settled to satisfaction & clear of Marriage Engagements; which is accepted.

The Prepar^d. meetings in their Accts inform that they have collected and sent to our Treasurer, viz^t South 8 " 3

North 9 " [illegible]

£ " 18 " [illegible]

A new Choice of Overseers of the Poor is proposed and refer'd to next Mo meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to the 27th Instant

27th Day Met by Adjournment.

The Representatives called were all present.

Two of the friends appointed in Micajah Wilcox's Case desire it continued till next Mo meeting, which is accordingly continued under their Care, they then to report.

Joseph Austin presented an Acct of this Meeting for shoeing Travelling friends horses and some expence on the road in going to [illegible], amounting to ten shillings & sixpence which the Treasurer is directed to pay & report to next Mo. meeting.

3 mo
1788

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 3d Month, 1788. The Accounts from the Preparative Meetings are presented, the Representatives thereto named are, from the South, Zephaniah Eddy and Joseph Tucker Junr, from the North Joshua Potter and Barnabas Russell, who on being called were all present.

The Friends appointed to take an Opportunity with Ebenezer Allen in order to discover his Sincerity in condemning his Misconduct, report that they have had some opportunity with him, and that he gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, appearing sincere in condemning his Misconduct, which is accepted for Satisfaction, he causing his Paper to be read in the usual public manner and return it with Report to next Mo meeting.

A new Choice of Overseers of the Poor being required from last Mo meeting, to wit, William Gifford, Joshua Potter, John Tucker, George Smith, Josiah Wood and Caleb Barker are appointed for that Service, for the year ensuing or till others may be appointed in their Stead.

The friends appointed in Micajah Wilcox's Case, report that he still remains negligent in attending our religious Meetings and are doubtful of his Sincerity in condemning his Misconduct; yet at the desire of Gideon Howland & Thomas Russell who desire to have an opportunity with him the Matter is referred till next Mo meeting under their Care who are to report.

The Treasurer reports that he has paid Joseph Austin as directed by last Mo meeting 10/6.

Joseph Eddy and Edith Wood appeared for their Answer, which was that nothing appeared to obstruct their Proceeding to take each other in Marriage at some convenient Time between this & next Mo meeting, they advising with the Friends which this Meeting appoints to see their Marriage orderly Solemnized and Marriage Certificate recorded; for which Service, Joseph Tucker and Timothy Howland are appointed, they to report to next Mo meeting.

The Queries were read and the Answers from the Preparative Meetings and [illegible] and Benjamin Taber are appointed to compile said Answers from this Meeting with an Account to the Quarterly Meeting and report to the Adjournment of this Meeting.

The Overseers inform in Writing that Caleb Slocum hath taken an Oath in form, that he had carnal knowledge of Rebecca Russell, & they had no Opportunity with him thereon, as he was gone from Home, but as the Crime is so reproachful and Inflammatory, they thought it their Duty to thus inform this Meeting; therefore Wm Wood, Wm Gifford and Thomas [illegible] are appointed to have an Opportunity with him if they can, and draught a Testimony of his denial if they think proper and report to next Mo meeting, and inform him thereof when they can have opportunity.

The Preparative Meetings in their accounts inform that they have [illegible] as follows:

the South 8 " 11
North 14 " 2
£ 1 " 3 " 1

3 mo 1788 This Meeting adjourns to the 26 Inst after the Meeting for worship.

26 Day Met by Adjournment The Representatives being called were all Present.

The friends appointed produced the Compilation of the Answers to the Queries; and an Essay of an Acct to the Q. meeting which were read in this Meeting and signed by the Clerk and Wm Anthony, Caleb Russell & Jonathan [illegible] are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Representatives with said Acct and report to next Mo meeting.

[illegible] The friends appointed on Elizabeth [illegible] request, report that they have taken solid opportunities with her and Family; and think said request may be granted, which with the Concurrence of the Womens Meeting is accordingly granted and said Elizabeth's children are admitted as Members of this Meeting whose names are mentioned in the first Minute of said Request 12 mo last.

Friends of the North Preparative Meeting propose to hold their Meeting on the fifth day which is held on the sixth day, which being considered and the Womens meeting concurring, it is concluded that said week day Meeting be held in future on the fifth day of the week.

Nathl Mosher a Member of this Meeting has removed to Nine partners, and desires our Certificate on his behalf; [illegible] are appointed to take the necessary Care therein, and report to next Mo meeting.

4 mo 1788 At a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 21st of the 4th Month 1788, The Accts from the Prepard meetings were presented; the Representatives therein named were from the South, Peleg Gifford and Wm Anthony, North, Caleb Russell & John Tucker; who being called were all present.

This Meeting is informed that Ebenezer Allen has caused his Paper to be read as directed, and returned it to this Meeting.

The friends who assisted the overseers in Micajah Wilcox's Case, report, that they have had a solid opportunity with him, that they had not much Encouragement [illegible] case continued, which is accordingly continued under their care till next Mo meeting, they then to report.

The friends of Joseph Estes and [illegible] Marriage, report, that they attended said Marriage, and at the house after, and saw nothing, but that it was orderly solemnized and conducted, and that the Marriage Certificate is delivered to the Clerk to be Recorded.

The friends appointed in Caleb Slocum's Case, report, that they have taken a solid opportunity with him, and he appears in some degree sorry for his Transgressions and has a desire to make friends satisfaction, giving

4 Mo
1788 in a paper condemning his misconduct, which being considered by this Meeting, we appoint Wm Wood, [illegible] Russell, Benjn Taber & Seth Russell to take a solid Opportunity with Sd Slocum in order to discover his sincerity & if no other wise [illegible] satisfaction to draw a Testimony of his denial [illegible] & inform him thereof and report to next Mo. meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended sd meeting agreeable to appointment, and produced a copy of the Minutes of the Qy meeting which were read in this, the Conclusions of which [illegible] to the consideration of next Mo meeting.

Nathl
Walker
disowned The friends appointed produced a Testimony for Nathl Walker directed to the Mo meeting of [illegible] disowning his right of membership, [illegible] which was signed by the Clerk.

The Prepare Meetings in their Accts inform that they have collected and sent to our Treasurer vizt

The South	£ - 12 " 9	s.
North	10 " 3	
	1 " 3 " —	

Abner Shep-
herd and
Apphia
Mott Abner Shepherd and Apphia Mott declared their intentions of taking each other in Marriage, having consent of Parents, and were desired to wait till next Mo meeting for answer, and Wm Gifford and Wm Fuller are appointed to inspect [illegible] respecting marriage and conversation and report to next Mo meeting.

Luke Paul gave in a Paper condemning his Marrying out of the Unity of Friends, therefore we appoint Caleb Gifford and Wm Gifford to take a solid Opportunity with him in order to discover his sincerity and report to next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting is informed that Jno Shepherd Junr who lately removed to the Mo meeting of [illegible], has made Marriage out of the order of friends; Wm Anthony and Benjn Howland Junr are appointed to write to said Meeting informing them thereof, and report to next Mo. meeting.

[illegible] to them is to be considered of by next Mo meeting.

([illegible])

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 1788 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 1788

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the [illegible] of the 5th Month 1788. The Accounts from the Preparative Meetings were presented, the Representatives therein named, were from the [illegible] Benjamin [illegible] and John Howland, who on being called were all present.

Wm Rotch [illegible]

[illegible] Wm Rotch and Elizabeth [illegible]

The friends appointed to take Opportunity with Luke Hall to discover his Sincerity, report, that they have a solid Opportunity with him, and do not find any thing to hinder the [illegible] of the Womens meeting is accepted accordingly.

The friends having the Care of Micajah [illegible] till next Mo meeting, they then to report.

The Friends appointed to inspect [illegible] taken the necessary Care and do not find any thing to Obstruct his proceeding in his intended Voyage.

The [illegible] accomplish it & report to next Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] cerity; report, that they had such an Opportunity with him, but [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] mouth, having a right of Membership among us the People called Quakers; but thro unwatchfulness and disregard to the Principles of Truth and righteousness in his own heart and our known [illegible] in Form, [illegible]

[illegible]

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and disorderly Conduct Friends have laboured in Love to convince him of the Evil thereof; but their Labour not having the desired effect, to Friends Satisfaction: Therefore for the Clearing of Truth and Friends from such conduct we are concerned to give forth this Testimony against him the said [illegible] and deny him a member of our Society and from under the Protection of the same, [illegible] he may find, returning from the Error which is over [illegible].

Given forth from our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 5th Month 1788.

Signed on behalf of said Meeting by
Caleb Greene Clerk.

[illegible] having given in a Paper condemning his falling into company and being overtaken with the Intoxication of Strong Drink; William Wood and John Tucker are appointed to take an Opportunity with him to discover his Sincerity and report to next Mo meeting.

[illegible] Gifford and [illegible] Wood appeared [illegible], [illegible] such was that we did not find any thing to hinder their [illegible] to take each other in Marriage at some convenient Time between this and next Mo meeting, advising with the Friends they [illegible] William Gifford & John Tucker are appointed to oversee said Marriage and the Certificate returned to be recorded and report to next Mo meeting.

The Preparative Meetings in their Accounts inform that they have collected and forwarded to our Treasurer, viz

South 6..-
North 1..3..7
1..9..7

The contents of a Report of a Committee from our [illegible] meeting respecting some differences subsisting in this Meeting being again revived, [illegible] Gifford, Caleb Greene, [illegible] Gifford and [illegible] are appointed to assist the Parties in endeavouring to compose their differences and report to next Mo meeting.

The Preparative meetings having appointed a Committee to consider of the Manner of collecting Money for our Monthly Meeting Stock [illegible], who have considered and [illegible] thereon which being read and considered by this Meeting, it is concluded that a Committee be appointed to make a proper List of the Names of such Friends as they think proper to be called for the support of Society, that said List be read at or near the close of each Preparative Meeting, and the Friends present to answer thereto in such a sum as they are free to contribute for one quarter of a Year and that such Friends as do not answer thereto or are not present, be called upon by said Committee, [illegible] the close of the Three months, when report is to be made to the Preparative Meeting, and the Sum so collected be minuted & produced to the next Mo meeting, whereupon [illegible], [illegible] Potter & [illegible] Howland be appointed for that Service and are [illegible] at the Expiration of three months.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth [illegible] 6th Month, '88, [illegible] the Represent[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] South [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] who on being called were all present.

The Clerk [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Answers [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and Jno Howland to take and make out a digest of them, and draw an account from this to the Quarterly meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] one of this Meetings Poor to the amount of Ten Shillings & eight pence, which the Treasurer is directed to pay to William Gifford & report to next Mo meeting.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 23rd Inst at the close of worship.

23rd Met according to adjournment.

The friends appointed in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that they have not had opportunity with him since last Mo meeting, and that he has gone to sea; it is continued therefore under their Care, who are to report as soon as he may return.

The friends appointed, report that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

The friends [illegible] [illegible] that Caleb Slocum is informed [illegible] [illegible], and that the [illegible] has been read as directed.

The friends appointed [illegible] [illegible] opportunity [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], that they have attended thereto, but are not ready to make full report, and desire the Matter deferred which is accordingly deferred under their Care till next Mo meeting they then to report.

The Overseers of the Marriage of [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] report they attended thereto, that it was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] solemnized and the marriage certificate delivered to the Clerk to be recorded.

The friends appointed to assist the Overseers of this Meeting in Composing a Difference subsisting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] continued till next Mo meeting they then to report.

The friends appointed, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] which were read [illegible] [illegible] signed by the Clerk and forwarded by our Representatives appointed to attend the [illegible] meeting, who are William [illegible], John [illegible], Benjamin Smith Jnr, they to report to next Mo meeting.

6mo 1788 This Meeting is informed that [illegible] Smith has gone to the Ninepartners without Certificate [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to take the necessary care [illegible] and report to next Mo meeting.

The Overseers inform that [illegible] and [illegible] have been concerned or had a hand in writing & spreading about some scandalous Papers, reflecting harshly on some Friends, for which they have been labour'd with, but did not condemn it. Benjamin Tucker William [illegible] are therefore appointed to take a [illegible] opportunity with the young men, on that or any other misconduct of theirs, which may be contrary to the good order established among us, and report to next Monthly meeting.

The year of the Service of the [illegible] being expired a new Choice is refer'd to next Mo meeting.

7mo 1788 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth [illegible] 1788. [illegible] from the Preparative [illegible] were presented [illegible] named therein [illegible] and were all present.

The Treasurer reports that he has [illegible] as ordered by last Monthly meeting [illegible].

The Friends appointed, report that they have had a [illegible] opportunity with [illegible] who gave them some good degree of Satisfaction, which is accepted, and his Paper condemning his Misconduct is accepted by this Meeting for Satisfaction, provided he cause the same to be read in the usual [illegible] manner, [illegible] to next Mo. meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they [illegible] an Epistle [illegible] Philadelphia [illegible] together with the Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly meeting & Extracts of the Minutes of the Meeting for Sufferings, all of which were [illegible] this Meeting's satisfaction.

The friends appointed to assist the Overseers in the Case of a difference subsisting between some Members of this Meeting report, that they have attended thereto; but at their last Meeting thereon, one of the Friends was absent by reason of sickness, that they could not [illegible], it is therefore continued till next Mo meeting under the same friends care; who are desired then to make conclusive report.

We are informed that the Women's Meeting have appointed a Committee to visit [illegible] family on the request of [illegible] [illegible] Phillip [illegible] and [illegible] are appointed to unite with said Committee to visit said family and report to next Mo meeting.

The following is the Extract from our last Yearly Meetings Minutes, [illegible]

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Mo Meeting
set off to
Sandwich
Quarterly
Meeting

years much desired by this Meeting, that a different Arrangement of our Quarterly Meetings take place, it is now agreed that the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth [illegible] be for one year set off from Rhodeisland and added to Sandwich Quarterly meeting; and 'tis tenderly advised that they endeavour to unite in a brotherly labour together in the promotion of the cause of Truth, that they meet and hold their Meetings at the time and place as heretofore except those in the 10th & 12th Months which are to be held at the usual time but instead of the usual Place, that in the 10th is directed to be held at Aponyganset, and that in the 12th Month at Seaponet; that Rhodeisland Quarterly Meeting be held in the fall at Portsmouth, and in the Winter at Providence at the usual Time.

The Yearly Meeting [illegible] in their Epistle from the Meeting that the Monthly meetings [illegible] the Minute respecting spirituous Liquors [illegible] in their Books of Discipline, under the Head Spirituous Liquors; the Clerk is desired to have it inserted accordingly in each Book of Discipline belonging to this Meeting & report to next Mo meeting.

The Meeting for Sufferings having communicated to this [illegible] their minute for procuring [illegible] a number of Joseph Phipps's Treatise on the Original and present State of Man as also of Robert Barclays Catechism which both friends of N. York and Philadelphia [illegible] reprinted [illegible] are appointed to make the necessary enquiry, reporting the number of each which may be wanting in each Preparative meeting & report to next mo meeting.

Richd
Smith
Remd

Aponyganset Preparative meeting [illegible] brought in a Certificate for Richard Smith, directed to the Monthly meeting of Nine partners, signifying he is a Member of this meeting & clear of marriage Engagements [illegible] which Certificate was signed by the Clerk.

The friends appointed in the case of Joseph Hart's [illegible] report that they have attended to their appointment, and have had a solid Opportunity with the Young man [illegible] the matter [illegible] which is [illegible] accordingly under the same friends care till next mo meeting they then to report.

The year of the Service of the Clerk [illegible] with due consideration is appointed Clerk for the year ensuing.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting inform that this Meeting is in Arrears £2"19"8 with the Quarterly meeting as appears by their Accounts upon which John Rowland, Caleb Russell & Wm Rotch Junr are appointed to take the necessary care [illegible] to settle accounts with our Treasurer, and if needful to inspect this Meetings minutes and report next Mo meeting.

Thomas Russell presented an account to this Meeting for some repairs about our Meeting house at [illegible]

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which the Treasurer is directed to pay [illegible] the Meeting.

The Quarterly meeting in their Epistle [illegible] this Meeting [illegible] to the Yearly Meetings Treasurer as soon as may be, it being this Meetings apportion of Yearly Stock, the Manner of raising said Money is refered to next Mo meeting.

8th mo 1788

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth [illegible] 1788. The representatives from the preparative meetings [illegible] present.

[illegible] Devals paper has been read as directed last Mo Meeting and is returned to this meeting.

The friends appointed [illegible] is refered to next Mo meeting, they then to report.

The friends appointed [illegible] found it a difficult case yet at the close of their Labour therein, they found so much satisfaction that they hope the matter will subside and end.

[illegible] gave in a paper to this meeting concerning his misconduct in an Arbitration with [illegible] which was read and considered and with the concurrence of the womens meeting accepted for satisfaction [illegible] Samuel [illegible] report to next Mo Meeting.

Joseph Austin gave in a paper concerning the Manner of his speaking to [illegible] Smith and in our last meeting which being read and considered is with the Womens concurrence accepted for satisfaction.

The Clerk informs that he has not accomplished the inserting the Minute of the Yearly Meeting in all the books of discipline as directed last Mo meeting, he is continued to do it & report to next Mo meeting.

One of the friends appointed to make enquiry [illegible] made some enquiry [illegible] at the adjournment of this Meeting.

This meeting is adjourned to the 25th Inst at the close of the meeting for worship.

25th day met according to adjournment. The Representatives being called were all present except

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William Rogers.

The matter of [illegible] and [illegible] Shaw is again referred to next the Meeting by reason of the [illegible] meeting being [illegible] adjourned.

The Friends appointed to settle accounts with our Treasurer do report that they have attended thereto & settled said Accounts up to the 8th mo this year & that after the amount of all the money [illegible] on the Minutes is deducted there remains in the Treasury twenty five pounds [illegible] shillings & [illegible] pence, but by our (own) Minutes & account heretofore given, it appears that this Meeting has paid all that was due to the Quarterly meeting.

John Howland is appointed to inform Rhode island Quarterly meeting of the State of our Account with that Meeting and report to this Meeting.

The Clerk is desired to procure a suitable book for our Treasury accounts and charge this Meeting.

William Anthony, John Howland & John Devol are appointed an Audit for one Year or till others may be appointed to settle our Treasury & all other accounts which may be presented against this Meeting, they to make report as often as may be necessary.

The Treasurer reports that he has paid Thomas [illegible] sixteen shillings & three pence as directed by [illegible] the Meeting.

The Treasurer is directed to forward to the Yearly meetings Treasurer four pounds sixteen shillings & seven pence this Meeting's proportion of Yearly meetings Stock also to pay five pounds eleven shillings & eight pence to John Howland & William Anthony who are desired to forward the same to Moses Brown, as the remainder of [illegible] subscription to be taken by this Meeting.

The appointing a committee respecting spirituous Liquors is referred to next the Meeting.

The overseers inform that Benjamin Howland Jr hath been found in [illegible] company with Ebenezer [illegible] & Thomas Browne to the reproach of our profession, and has been laboured with by the overseers on that account but he did not incline to condemn his misconduct we therefore appoint George Smith & William Wood to labour further with him thereon & report to next Mo meeting.

The year of the Service of the overseers being expired a new choice of [illegible] is referred to next Mo. meeting.

[illegible] informs this Meeting that there is a controversy between Isaac Howland and [illegible] and said Howland agrees to settle by Arbitration, but he has not [illegible] thereto by the overseers as they inform, we therefore appoint [illegible] Gray, [illegible] & Stephen Wood to labour further with said Isaac and report to next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed [illegible]

8 mo 1788. Many of the monthly meetings [illegible] report that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] continued for the three months in the like service and an addition to them is refer'd to next mo.th meeting.

9 mo 1788

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 9th mo 1788. The representatives from the preparative meetings being called, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

The Friends appointed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

A choice of Overseers was refer'd from last [illegible] meeting to this, upon which we appoint [illegible] Hart, William [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] and Thomas Mott for that service for the year ensuing or until others may be appointed.

This meeting is informed that [illegible] [illegible] last monthly meeting and [illegible] to this meeting.

The Clerk reports that the insertion of the minute from the Yearly meeting in the Books of Discipline is accomplished.

John Chace disowned

The Friends appointed to treat with John Chace, [illegible] [illegible] opportunities with him; that John did not give them the desired Satisfaction respecting his misconduct in some scandalous papers, and has since married contrary to our established order after being advised [illegible]; we therefore with the concurrence of the Women's meeting, do disown the said John Chace as a member of our monthly meeting; [illegible] is appointed to inform him thereof and report to next Monthly meeting.

The appointed friends also report, [illegible]

William Giffords reason for non at[tendance] [illegible] monthly meeting being satisfactory.

The members of the Select meeting conclude it may be best to discontinue that meeting called [illegible] meeting held on the Sixth day of the week before the Quarterly meeting which being considered by this meeting is concur'd with, and said meeting is accordingly discontinued; and [illegible] monthly meeting be in future held and kept up in that week in which the youths meeting was formerly held.

The Queries were read in this meeting with the answers from the preparative meetings and William

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1788 [illegible] [illegible] are appointed to [illegible] said answers & bring them to the adjournment of this meeting with what else they may see necessary to be forwarded to our next Quarterly meeting.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 24th inst. at the usual time of day.

9th mo 24th, met by adjournment.

The Representatives being called were all present.

Elijah Gifford, Benjm Tabor, Thomas Hicks and Wm Gifford are appointed to make enquiry if there are any of our members who are or may be in the practice of importing, dealing in or running out [illegible] Liquors, and to labour with such, according to the direction of last yearly meeting inserted in the Book of Discipline; said Committee to make report from time to time as they may find occasion.

The friends appointed to labour with Benjm Howland 3d on his misconduct report that they had an opportunity with him & tho he did not give them much if any satisfaction, yet they think it best that it be deferred another month which on considering is continued till next mo meeting to which said friends are to report.

The committee appointed in the case of Benjm [illegible] & Isaac [illegible] inform that they have attended thereto; but are not ready to make a conclusive report; and desire it continued, with an addition to the committee; it is therefore referred to next mo meeting, under the same friends care with Willm Gifford & Wm Rotch & John Barker, who are then to report together.

Luthan Wood is appointed in addition to the Committee for collecting money for this meeting's stock.

The Friends appointed produced a digest of the answers to the Queries with an accot to the next Quarterly meeting of Sandwich, which answers and accot were read and signed by the Clerk.

William Anthony, Abiel Gifford & [illegible] Howland are appointed to attend the next Quarterly meeting with our account & report to next mo meeting.

10 mo
1788

At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 10th mo. 1788. The Representatives from the preparative meetings being called, answered, [illegible] from South Luthan Wood and Wm Barker junr, North John Devol, & Benjm Taber are present.

Joshua Potter reports that he informed [illegible] of his denial as directed by last mo. meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of Benjm Howland 3d report that they have not had an opportunity with him therefore the matter is again referred to next mo. meeting under their care they then to report.

This Meeting being informed that

10 mo 1788 the Select Meeting find an additional number of Elders necessary, and have by a Committee from that meeting named, [illegible] with Joseph Tucker Jun^r & Rhoda Tucker for that station, which being considered by this Meeting we appoint [illegible], [illegible] & Jonathan [illegible] in conjunction with such as the Women may appoint to take a solid opportunity with said Friends in order to discover their Qualifications as Elders & report to next Mo Meeting.

Lydia [illegible] removed. A removal Certificate was signed in the Meeting in concurrence of the Womens meeting on behalf of Lydia [illegible] directed to the Mo Meeting of [illegible].

Wife and Children of Obadiah [illegible]. The Friends appointed to visit Obadiah [illegible] family report that they have visited them & considered the matter and think that Obadiah's Wife Mary and their Children namely Sarah, Janet and Mathew may be admitted as Members, which with the Concurrence of the Womens Meeting is accepted and they admitted as members of this Meeting accordingly.

The Friends appointed in the Case of Isaac Howland and Benjamin Allen report, that they have not accomplished that service they are continued in the care of completing thereof & report to next Mo meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended & produced a Copy of a Minute from said Meeting requesting this Meeting to return a List of the Members of our Select Meeting to the Quarterly Meeting next preceding the Yearly Meeting.

Peleg Slocum and E. R[illegible] [illegible] intention. Peleg Slocum son of Peleg and Elizabeth [illegible] declared their Intention of taking each other in marriage having consent of Parents as this Meeting is informed and Joseph Tucker Jun^r & [illegible] Wood are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness in respect to Marriage & Conversation & report to next Mo meeting.

11 mo 1788 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the [illegible] of the 11 mo 1788. The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings [illegible] in the accounts following, [illegible] Joseph Tucker Jun^r & George Smith, [illegible] Thomas Mott and John Howland, who being called were all present.

The Friends appointed in the Case of Isaac Howland and Benjamin Allen report that they have duly attended thereto and cannot find but the Matter [illegible] to said Allen can with propriety be [illegible] of said Howland, which is accepted and the Matter is dismissed accordingly.

Jos Tucker Jr and Rhoda Tucker [illegible] The Friends appointed to take a solid opportunity with Joseph Tucker Jun^r and Rhoda Tucker in order to discover their Qualifications as Elders, report, that they have had a solid Conference with said friends, and have unity with their appointment to that station, which this Meeting considering concurs with the Concurrence of the Womens Meeting to appoint them as Elders accordingly, [illegible]

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thereof be sent to our next Quarterly Meeting.

The Women inform that they have accepted of Elizabeth [illegible]'s Paper condemning her falling into the sin of Fornication which this meeting concurs with they ordering the same to be read in the usual public manner.

[illegible]

A Removal Certificate was signed at this time in favour of Rebecka Pearce wife of James Pearce directed to the Monthly Meeting of [illegible].

The friends appointed to inquire into the clearness of Peleg Slocum [illegible] [illegible] report that [illegible] nothing sufficient to obstruct his proceeding in Marriage having also produced consent of his Father in writing.

Peleg Slocum son of Peleg and Elizabeth [illegible] appeared in this Meeting for their Answer which was that we found nothing sufficient to obstruct their taking each other in Marriage at some convenient time between this and next Monthly Meeting advising with the Women Friends [illegible] [illegible] to see their Marriage orderly Accomplished [illegible] and report to next Monthly Meeting.

[illegible] Potter requests to be admitted into Membership with us, William Rotch Junr and Benjamin Taber are appointed to take a solid opportunity with him in order to discover his Sincerity and motives thereto and report to a future Mo. meeting.

Cornelius Howland desires a Certificate to the Mo. Meeting of Sandwich, expressive of his clearness of Marriage and Conversation; William Anthony George Smith are appointed to take necessary care therein and report to the adjournment of this Meeting.

The Queries were read in this Meeting with the Answers from the Preparative meetings and [illegible] [illegible] and Thomas [illegible] are appointed to draw [illegible] [illegible] with drawing such account as they find necessary to our next Quarterly Meeting, and report to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 26th Instant at the usual time of Day.

26th Day Met according to adjournment; The Representatives all present.

The friends appointed produced an Essay of a Certificate for Cornelius Howland to the Mo. Meeting of Sandwich signifying his clearness respecting Marriage which was signed by the Clerk.

The friends appointed in the Case of Benjamin Howland 3d report that they have had divers opportunities with him, and that he gave them some degree of Satisfaction and presented a paper condemning his Misconduct, yet for a further Discovery of Sincerity, the Matter is continued under the same Friends care with [illegible] [illegible] & Joseph Barker they

11 mo 1788 together to report to a future meeting.

The Friends appointed produced a Digest of the answers to the Queries with an account to the next Quarterly meeting, which was approved and signed by the Clerk, and Joseph Tucker jun.r [illegible] & Benjamin Taber are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Representatives with said account and report to next Mo meeting.

John Howland, Caleb Russell & Joseph Austin are appointed to provide Hay and other necessary accommodations for Friends horses for our next Quarterly meeting.

The Friends appointed to collect Money for this Meeting's Stock for the three months past report that they have collected and paid to our Treasurer, Five pounds ten shillings ten shillings & ten pence.

The appointment of a Committee for the further collecting for this Meeting's Stock is referred to next Mo meeting.

12 mo 1788

At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the [illegible] of the 12th month 1788 The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings by the Accounts presented were, from the South [illegible] Joseph Tucker jun.r [illegible] Jonathan [illegible] & Benjamin Taber, who were all present.

The Friends appointed to attend the Marriage of Peleg Slocum & Eliz.a Ricketson, report that they attended said Marriage & also at the Houses of the Parties and did not discover but that it was in a good degree orderly solemnized — the certificate delivered to the Clerk to be recorded.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended said Meeting.

Micajah Wilbur [illegible] The Friends appointed some time past to treat with [illegible] Micajah Wilbur [illegible] that he [illegible] attending Meetings, that they hardly think he is [illegible] condemning his misconduct; this Meeting therefore with the concurrence of the Preparative Meeting disowns him [illegible] a member of our Society and the same Friends are continued with the Clerk to draught a Testimony of his Denial inform him thereof and report to the next Monthly meeting.

Joseph [illegible] a member of [illegible] Mo Meeting produced a Certificate from said Meeting dated the 3d of the 12th month 1788 expressive of his membership & clearness in Marriage Engagements, which was read in this Meeting to Satisfaction

[illegible] A Removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk on behalf of [illegible], daughter of Benjamin [illegible], directed to the Mo Meeting of Swanzey, expressive of her being a member & clearness of marriage engagements.

Several Friends in Allens Neck request to hold Meetings for worship in that Neck, the ensuing four months, which being considered, we appoint Benjamin Taber, Philip Trafford, Abiel Gifford and Joseph Tucker Jun.r a

12 mo 1788, Committee to visit the Requesters and Friends there, and report their Sense thereon to next Mo meeting.

Jos Rogers and E Kirby Joseph Rogers and Elizabeth Kirby declared their Intention of taking each other in Marriage, having consent of Parents concerned in writing, and were directed to wait till next Mo meeting for answer, and Humphry Gifford and Elijah Gifford are appointed to inspect into the rights of Elizabeths Children and see they be secured & report to next Mo meeting.

Benjamin Allen, Hezekiah Smith, Barnabas Mosher Junr, Asa Smith & Humphrey Russell are appointed for six months ensuing to collect Money for our Meeting's Stock, according to a Minute made thereon for our Meeting & collecting in each Mo [illegible] friends to make up once a Quarter & the same so collected, after paying it to our Treasurer.

1 mo 1789 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 1st mo 1789. The Representatives named in the last presented from the Prepara. were, from the So. Peleg Gifford and Josiah Wood, North John Tucker & Wm Rotch Junr, who on being called were all present.

The Friends appointed to draw a Testimony of the Denial of Micajah Wilcox and inform him thereof, reported that they informed him and produced a Testimony, approved and signed by the Clerk, and William Anthony is appointed to read it in the usual public manner and return it with report to next Mo meeting, said Testimony is as follows,

Micajah Wilcox having had a right of Membership among us the People called Quakers, but through unwatchfulness hath deviated from the Testimony of Truth which we profess, by frequently partaking too freely of spirituous Liquors and also is disunited with friends by much neglecting the attendance of our religious Meetings. for which misconduct friends have laboured with him in Love; but he not condemning the same to their Satisfaction; we are concerned to publickly Testify against such unwarrantable conduct, hereby disowning the said Micajah as a member of our Society, until he shall be favoured with a Sense of his Error and return in the way of Truth which is our desire.

Given forth from our Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 19th of 1st month 1789

Signed in, on behalf, and by Direction of said Meeting

by Caleb Greene Clerk.

[illegible] Received a Copy of a Testimony of the Nine Partners Monthly Meeting of the Denial of Abm Mosher a member of this Meeting, which was read and is approved by this Meeting, sd Testimony is as follows,

From our Monthly meeting held at Nine Partners the 16th of 7th month 1788.

Whereas Abraham Mosher a member of our Society hath deviated from the Principles we profess in not attending

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Meetings, being out from plainness of apparel and going to a Place of diversion and joined dancing, likewise voluntarily [illegible] his Liberty, which has not had the desired effect, therefore for the Clearing of Truth, we do testify against such misconduct, and disown him from being any longer a Member until he by amendment of Life shall make Satisfaction to this Meeting, which he may be favoured to do is our desire.
Signed in and on behalf of said Meeting

by Isaac Thorn Clerk.

The friends appointed to inspect into the rights of Eliz^a Kirby's Children, report that they have taken the necessary care, and that those things are settled to their satisfaction, that is of said Friends.

The friends appointed to visit the friends in Crany Neck on their request report as follows, We have visited most of the friends of Crany & Slocums Neck by collecting them together and had a good opportunity of conference with them on the subject of their petition & upon considering the matter and the circumstances attending it, it is our sense and judgment that they have the liberty of holding Meetings of worship on first days until the Monthly meeting in the [illegible] month next and that they be held one month at [illegible] Allen, one month at [illegible] Slocum & one month at Peleg Slocum appointed by the Monthly Meeting said Meetings subject to be discontinued at any time when the committee shall think it best.

Signed in behalf of the committee

by Joseph Tucker jun^r
Matthew Gifford

which is accepted, and Thomas Hicks, Joseph Tucker jun^r Abial Gifford & Philip Gifford are appointed to attend & have the oversight of said Meetings & report to the next Monthly Meeting after the expiration of said time or sooner if they find it necessary.

Joseph Rogers and Elizabeth Slocum appeared for their answer which was that nothing appearing to obstruct their proceeding to take each other in marriage according to the good order established among us Timothy Gifford & Thomas Hicks are appointed to see said Marriage orderly solemnized & the Marriage certificate [illegible] accordingly and report to next Monthly meeting.

Reuben Allen and [illegible] Kirby intention

Reuben Allen & [illegible] Kirby declared their intention of Marriage having consent of Parents in writing, it being permitted by this Meeting, Nathan Wood & Timothy Gifford are appointed to inquire into Reuben's clearness in respect to Marriage and conversation & report to next Monthly meeting.

Eliza Russell removal

A Removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk in favour of Elizabeth Russell daughter of Benjamin directed to the Monthly Meeting of [illegible], expressive of her being a Member & clear of Marriage engagements.

2d mo
1789

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of the 2d Month 1789. The Representatives named in accounts presented from the Preparative meetings, are, from the Town Thomas Hicks & William Barker Junr, North, Caleb Russell & Thomas Mott all present.

William Anthony reports that the [illegible] of the [illegible] of [illegible] Kirby hath been read as directed.

Friends appointed to oversee the Marriage of Joseph Rogers & Elizabeth Kirby report that they attended said Marriage & saw it orderly solemnized, and have delivered the Certificate to the Clerk for recording.

The friends appointed to inspect the clearness of Reuben Allen respecting Marriage & Conversation report that on making the necessary inquiry they find nothing sufficient to obstruct his proceeding in Marriage.

Reuben Allen & Bathsheba Kirby appeared for their Answer, which was, nothing appearing to obstruct their proceeding to take each other in Marriage according to the good order established among us. [illegible] & Timothy [illegible] are appointed to see said Marriage orderly accomplished & the Marriage Certificate delivered for recording & report to next Monthly meeting.

Joseph [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Joseph Russell son of Timothy Russell and Edith Allen declared their intention of taking each other in Marriage & [illegible] Allen & Susanna [illegible] declared the like intention [illegible] having consent of Parents concerned which being noticed by this meeting Joseph Barker & [illegible] are appointed to inspect the [illegible] and Benjamin [illegible] and William [illegible] the [illegible] clearness respecting Marriage & Conversation and Report to next Monthly meeting.

The School Committee were called on for a report of their service, and not being ready to make one to satisfaction they are continued to accomplish the same and bring to next monthly meeting.

3d mo
1789

At a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 16th of the 3d Month, 1789. The Representatives appointed by the accounts presented from the Preparative Meetings are from the Town Joseph Tucker Jr & Gideon Howland North Edmund Maxfield & John Howland, who were all present.

Received [illegible] printed Copies of the late London Epistle one of which was read in this meeting to satisfaction, the other copies were directed to be read in the usual manner at our several Meetings by William Anthony, [illegible] & [illegible] Gifford, they to report to next Monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the Marriage of Reuben Allen & Bathsheba Kirby, report, that they attended said Marriage (& Reuben Allen & Bathsheba Kirby report that they attended said Marriage) and also at the house

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of their friends with them, we [illegible] not discover; but what it was conducted in a good degree orderly, and delivered the Marriage Certificate to the Clerk for recording.

[illegible]
[illegible]
Recd.

The Women inform that they have concurred with the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a member among us, which we concur with.

The Friends appointed to inspect into the clearness of [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] report that they made the necessary enquiry and found nothing sufficient to obstruct their proceeding in Marriage.

[illegible] Benjamin and Susanna Chadman appeared for their answer [illegible] other in Marriage, according to the good order established among [illegible] Meeting.

The School Committee made the following Report. We being appointed as a School Committee by the Monthly Meeting have made but little progress in that service [illegible] prevailing indifference among friends respecting the Institution in Society, tho' we have met and conferred on the Subject, and notwithstanding it affords but a discouraging Prospect in our present State, yet for the revival of the concern, we think a Committee of judicious concerned friends may be useful in that service.

[illegible]
[illegible] 3 mo 1788

Benj.a Faber
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Wm Gifford
William Anthony
Abiel Gifford

which was accepted and they by their Request are dismissed from that service.

William Rotch Junr, Wm Gifford, [illegible], Benjamin Faber, James Davis & Thomas Hicks are appointed a School Committee for the year ensuing or till some others may be appointed.

Elizh Rogers
Sarah Kirby
and
[illegible]

Removal Certificates were signed by the Clerk on behalf of Elizabeth Rogers wife of Jonathan Rogers & her daughter Sarah Kirby directed to the Monthly Meeting of [illegible], one for Elizabeth [illegible], wife of [illegible] to Monthly Meeting of [illegible] expressive of their being members.

The Women inform that they have concluded to accept of Deborah [illegible] Paper, condemning her marrying out of the order of friends, which this Meeting concurs with.

The Overseers inform that they have treated with Elijah Russell in his giving way to a [illegible]

3 mo 1787 [illegible] Meeting having [illegible] and [illegible]
& likewise on his being concerned in a Lottery, and he not being
disposed to condemn it to satisfaction. We therefore appoint John
Howland, Benjn Taber & Thomas Hicks to labour further with the
Elijah & report to next Monthly meeting.

The Committee for collecting money for this meetings stock report that they have collected £[illegible] & paid it to our Treasurer.

The Queries were read and the Answers from the Preparative Meetings.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Benjamin Taber, William Anthony are appointed to attend our next Quarterly meeting with said answers and an account to said Quarterly meeting, & [illegible] the adjournment of this Meeting & report of their attendance of the Quarterly meeting to next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 14th instant at [illegible] at the close of the meeting for Worship.

19th day Met by adjournment.
The Representatives all present.

The Friends appointed produced answers to the Queries to the Quarterly, with an account to the Quarterly meeting, which were read in this Meeting with the Queries, and the account signed by the Clerk and forwarded by our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting.

4 mo 1787 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth [illegible] the 4th [illegible] 1787. The Representatives mentioned in Accounts from the Preparative meetings were from the South, Benjamin Chace & Abial Gifford, North, Benjamin Taber, & Wm Tripp, who were all present.

The Friends appointed to read the last London Epistle report that they read it accordingly.

The Friends appointed to attend the Marriage of [illegible] Russell & [illegible] Allen & [illegible] Allen and Susanna [illegible] report, that they attended accordingly and that they were in good order orderly consummated, and the certificates delivered to the Clerk for recording.

Elijah [illegible] [illegible] The Friends appointed in the case of Elijah Russell report that they that they have had a fair opportunity with him, and think that he is not in a suitable disposition of Mind to make friends satisfaction, we therefore, with the Concurrence of the Womens meeting do disown the said Elijah Russell as a Member of this Meeting & Benjamin Taber and John Howland are appointed to draw a Testimony of his Denial, inform him thereof, & report to next Monthly meeting.

The Representatives to the last Quarterly Meeting report, that they all attended according to appointment.

William Russell having removed

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within the verge of [illegible] Monthly meeting without requesting our [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Friends are appointed to take the necessary care & write to that the meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to next Mo meeting.

A removal certificate in behalf of [illegible] [illegible] directed to the the Monthly of [illegible] was [illegible] to the [illegible] expressive of our being a member settled her outward affairs & clear of Marriage engagements.

The Friends appointed to the oversight of the Meetings in Allens & Slocums neck inform that they are not ready to make report, they are continued to [illegible] & bring to next Mo meeting.

[illegible] The Womens Meeting inform that they conclude to deny Rebecca Hart, which this meeting concurs with.

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At a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 18th of the the 5th Month 1789. The representatives from the Preparative Meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Wm Barker [illegible] & [illegible] Gifford. [illegible] Caleb Russell & Wm Gifford all present.

The Friends appointed to draw a testimony of the denial of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] report that they have drawn a testimony, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] information, which they are continued to complete & report to next Mo meeting.

[illegible] The Womens Meeting inform that they have concluded to deny Amy Russell wife of Wm Russell Jur Newbedford, with its Meeting's concurrence, which we concur with.

[illegible] A removal certificate from the Monthly meeting of Providence dated [illegible] of 4th Mo last in behalf of Thomas Hazard Jur & wife [illegible] with their [illegible] [illegible], Sarah, Anna, Elizabeth & Thomas Rodman, directed to this Mo meeting was read approved & received.

Visit of Benj Worth and Jam Mott

Our Esteemed friend Benjamin Worth attended this meeting, with a certificate from [illegible] Mo Meeting held at Mamaroneck the 9th of 4th Mo last which was read in this meeting to satisfaction, and his company & service acceptable & edifying to us.

Our Esteemed Friend James Mott attended this meeting in company with our aforesaid friend with a certificate of a Minister of Purchase Mo meeting held at Mamaroneck the [illegible] of 4th Mo last which was read in this Meeting, & his company acceptable to us.

The Friends appointed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] report that they have attended [illegible] the Mo meeting [illegible] Saratoga as directed.

The Friends appointed to the oversight of the Meeting in Allens & Slocums neck report that it was kept up attended in a good degree orderly.

The committee for building a meeting house in Aponaganset, report that they have [illegible]

5 mo 1787 progress in collecting materials for said house but find it owing to them impracticable to finish it this year the committee is continued to the same collecting materials & otherwise to forward said house against another year; & to repair the present house as they may think need & to report to a future meeting.

6 mo 1787 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 6 mo 1787. The Friends named in the accounts, present from the South Division Luther Wood & Abiel Gifford, from the North William Gifford & Thomas Mott who being called were present.

The Clerk being absent Thomas Hicks is chosen Clerk for the day.

The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Conclusion of Committee, Abiel Gifford & Joseph Austin Jr are appointed to complete the drawing of the [illegible] & bring to the adjournment of this meeting.

We are informed from the Preparative meeting that Samuel Potter is gone away & supposed to [illegible] & did not request a Certificate therefore William Gifford & Thomas Mott are appointed to take the necessary care in that matter & draught the circumstances of it & bring to the adjournment of this meeting in order to inform that meeting.

This meeting is adjourned to the 22nd instant at the close of the meeting for Worship.

6 mo 22 Met by adjournment. The representatives being called, all present.

The Friends appointed to inform Elihu Russell of his denial report that they have informed him, the said testimony was signed by the Clerk & is as follows.

Elihu Russell of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol & State of Massachusetts having had a birthright among us the people called Quakers, but for want of more closely adhering thereunto has so far departed from the principles which we profess as to give way to a passionate mind & to use profane language, and has been concerned in a lottery all which are inconsistent with our principals and as we have laboured with him & endeavoured to show him the inconsistency of such conduct but he not appearing of a disposition of mind suitable to make Friends satisfaction we therefore for the clearing of Truth & Friends give this forth as a public testimony against such conduct, hereby disowning him the said Elihu Russell from having any right of membership among us the people aforesaid until he shall by a more circumspect walking and amendment of life manifest repentance which is our desire. Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 22nd of 6 mo 1787

& signed in behalf of said meeting

by Caleb Greene Clerk.

& Wm Anthony is appointed to cause the same to be read in ye usual public manner & report to next Mo. Meeting.

The committee for repairing the

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meeting house at [illegible] report that it is not yet compleated they are continued to the care of it & make report when done.

Receiving [illegible] returned from the Ninepartners with an endorsement on the Certificate from this Meeting dated at Creek Mo meeting 20th of 2d Mo last.

The Friends appointed produced a draught of Samuel Potters case to the Mo meeting of Oblong, which was read & signed by the Clerk, Thomas [illegible] is appointed to the care of conveying it to said Meeting.

The Friends appointed produced a [illegible] of the answers to the Queries which with the Queries [illegible] sent to the Quarterly meeting approved thereof, which was by the clerk forwarded by our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, [illegible] Benjamin Taber Wm Russell Jon^th [illegible] John Howland they to report to next Mo meeting.

We received a Copy of a Minute from our Meeting for Sufferings [illegible] for subscribing by Subscription a Second Edition of the Bible by Isaac Collins of Trenton at [illegible] a piece one third of which to be paid at subscription & the remainder at the delivery of the Bible, Wm Rotch Wm [illegible] [illegible] & Timothy Gifford are appointed to receive said Subscriptions & report to the Mo meeting in the 9th mo next.

The Overseers desire the assistance of friends in a difficult case lately come before them wherefore are appointed Benjamin Taber William Rotch jr Caleb Gifford [illegible] to assist the overseers in said case & report to a future Mo Meeting.

The Friends appointed to collect money for this Meetings Stock report that they have collected £[illegible] for the last Quarter & paid it to our Treasurer.

The appointing a Committee for collecting Money for Mo meeting's Stock for the year ensuing is referred to next Mo meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting of Friends held at Dartmouth the 20th of 7 mo 1789

The Clerk being absent Wm Rotch Junr is appointed Clerk for this time.

The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings are for the South Joseph Barker & Thomas Russell, for the North Benjamin Taber & Thomas [illegible], who being called all appeared.

Visit of John Simpson

Our beloved friend John Simpson having attended this meeting with a Certificate from Wrightstown Mo Meeting in Bucks County Pennsylvania 20th of 5th Mo last expressive of their being in unity with him as a Minister & in his making a religious visit to these parts.

Rebecca Russell denied

This Meeting concurs with the Womens meeting in a denying unity with Rebecca Russell daughter of Elijah Russell.

A paper was presented from the

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North Preparative meeting signed by Abraham Smith, acknowledging his misconduct in having contributed to the support of war & expressing his sorrow therefor, whereupon we appoint Isaac Gifford & John Rowland to visit him & endeavour to discover the sincerity thereof & report to next mo meeting.

Wm Anthony Reports that the testimony of Elijah Tucker's denial has been read according to direction.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended.

An Epistle from our last Yearly meeting together with transcripts of Epistles from the Yearly meeting of London & testimony on Long Island & extract from the minutes of our last yearly meeting were received and read to satisfaction.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Quarterly meeting was likewise read whereby we are desired to forward to the Quarterly meetings Treasurer five pounds six shillings our proportion of the Quarterly meetings stock, and our Treasurer is hereby directed to forward that sum as soon as may be & report to this meeting when done.

Visit of
[illegible]

Our beloved friend Rebecca Jones having attended this meeting produced a certificate from the Mo meeting of Philadelphia for the Northern District dated 6 mo last with unity with her in her ministry & concurrence with her making a religious visit to friends in these parts.

One of our committee for receiving money for this meeting stock reports they have received six shillings & sixpence since last mo which they are directed to pay the Treasurer.

We appoint Isaac Gifford, Gideon [illegible], George Smith, Edward Tucker & Benjamin Allen to take subscriptions for raising money for our mo. meetings stock for the following six months & to proceed in the manner mentioned last year & report the sum collected at the expiration of each three months.

A Complaint was presented to the meeting through the South Preparative meeting against Henry Smith for his having attended a house of entertainment where was music & dancing & that he also danced himself, also for his much neglecting the due attendance of our Religious meetings & likewise that he was in the practice of taking more Spirituous Liquors than they thought was best for which they have laboured with him in love & he gave them no satisfaction whereupon we appoint Isaac Gifford, John Rowland & Wm Gifford to take a solid opportunity with him & endeavour to convince him of the inconsistency of his conduct & report to next mo meeting.

A paper was received from the So Preparative meeting subscribed by Thos Allen condemning his misconduct in having been so far off his watch as to partake too freely of Spirituous Liquors, & likewise utter some unbecoming language, whereupon we appoint Benjm Allen 2d & Timothy Gifford to take a solid opportunity with him to endeavour to

7 mo 1789 — discover his sincerity therein & report to next Mo meeting.

Jona Allen recd by certif. — A Certificate from Saratoga Mo Meeting dated 9th of 5th mo last in behalf of Jonathan Allen son of Benjamin Allen recommending him as an apprentice was read and accepted.

We received a Copy of a minute from the meeting for Sufferings of the 8th instant, requesting this meeting to receive Subscriptions for a Book called Piety promoted about to be reprinted in London at seven Sixpence sterling well bound or Nine shillings in Sheets & Lettered, the money to be paid at the delivery of the books, wherefore we appoint Wm Rotch Joseph Austin Thos Mott & Timothy Howland to receive Subscriptions therefor & report to next Mo meeting.

Abigail Chase having requested to be admitted into membership with us & the Womens meeting desiring a committee from this meeting we appoint Thos Hicks & Peleg Gifford to unite with them in endeavouring to find the grounds of her request & report to a future meeting.

8 mo 1789

At a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 8th Mo 1789, The Representatives named in the Accts from the Preparative meetings were from the So. Joseph Tucker Junr & Peleg Gifford from the North Wm Rotch Junr & Joshua Potter who were all present.

The friends appointed to Visit Abraham Smith report that they had an opportunity with him & that he gave them a good degree of satisfaction, yet for further proof of his sincerity the friends are continued in the care of that matter & to report to a future Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed to visit [illegible] Lane report that they have had an opportunity with him yet desire the matter deferred another Mo which is accordingly continued under their care till next Mo meeting then to report

The Friends appointed to visit Barnabas Howland on his paper report that they have had a solid opportunity with him & he appears sincere in condemning his misconduct, yet the matter is deferred under the same Friends care who are to report to a future Mo meeting.

The Friends appointed to receive Subscriptions for Piety promoted inform that they have not completed it, they are desired to finish it & report to next Mo meeting

This meeting unites with the Womens meeting in receiving the acknowledgment of Mary Smith for her having kept company on acct of Marriage with a person out of the unity of Friends & also for having a child too soon after marriage.

We likewise unite with them in accepting the acknowledgment of Susannah Chase wife of John Chase for marrying out of the Established order of Friends.

A complaint was presented by

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An Account came from the North Preparative Meeting against the Conduct of Wm Hart that he neglects the attendance of our religious Meetings & frequenting & drinking liquor to excess at times, for which they laboured with him; but he did not give them satisfaction; we therefore appoint Wm Rotch & Wm Fuller jur & Gideon Howland to labour with him & report to next Mo Meeting.

Gideon Anthony and Alice Smith intentions

Gideon Anthony & Alice Smith declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage, having Consent of parents; & Philip Trafford & George Smith are appointed to inquest Gideon's clearness respecting marriage & conversation & report to next Mo Meeting.

9 mo 1787

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 9th Mo 1787; The Representatives from the Prepar.e Meetings [illegible] were from the So. Caleb Russell & Thomas Russell from the North John Howland & Jonathan Hart all present.

The Friends appointed in Adam Smith's case report that they have taken the necessary care with him & it's their Judgment that his former acknowledgement may be accepted for satisfaction which report is accepted and he is accordingly accepted & said Friends is appointed to read said paper in the usual public manner and report to next Mo Meeting.

The Queries were read with the answers from each Preparative Meeting together with the general answers from this Meeting, which were approved.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Gideon Anthony's clearness report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding in marriage.

Gideon Anthony & Alice Smith appeared & declared the continuation of their intention of taking each other in marriage, the Parents consent being had, they have liberty to proceed accordingly, and Philip Trafford & George Smith are appoin.d to see that their marriage be orderly Consummated, & that their certificate be delivered to be recorded & report to next Mo Meeting.

The Friends appointed in Henry Smith's case inform that they are not ready to make a conclusive report & desire it deferred it is accordingly deferred under their care till next Mo Meeting they then to report.

[illegible]

Received a removal Certificate from the Mo Meeting of Providence in favour of Joseph [illegible] which was read & accepted.

By report of the Committee to receive Subscriptions for Yearly Meeting Stock it appears that all twelve dollars subscribed for, & this Meeting concluded to take six more, Caleb Greene & Wm Rotch Junr are appointed to forward the account to the Meeting for Sufferings.

The Friends appointed in Thomas

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Friends [illegible] report that they have taken the necessary care (has been taken) [illegible] & [illegible] in [illegible] his mis-conduct, yet this meeting finding a concern for [illegible] of his sin-cerity the matter is continued under the same friends care, who are to report to next mo. meeting.

The Friends appointed in William Hall's case inform that they have taken an opportunity with him & think best the matter be referred another month. It is accordingly referred under their care to report to next mo meeting.

B Smith and Martha Gifford [illegible]

Benja Smith & Martha Gifford appeared in this meeting & proposed their intentions of marriage with each other we appoint [illegible] Gifford & [illegible] Howland to inspect the clearness & conversation (respecting) of Benjamin Smith respecting marriage & to see that the rights of the children are properly secured & report to next mo meeting.

Abm Smith and Caleb Anthony [illegible]

The overseers inform through the South Preparative meeting that Abraham Smith son of Samuel Smith & Caleb Anthony son of William have both married out of the order of Friends after being advised with & cautioned against it. Wherefore it is our judgment that the said Abraham Smith & Caleb Anthony be disowned & no longer accounted members of our Society, until they may be favoured to make friends satisfaction & George Smith is appointed to inform them hereof & report to next mo meeting.

The year of the service of the overseers is expired a new appointment is deferred to the first opening of next mo meeting.

An account to our next Quarterly meeting was made out & signed by the Clerk & Joseph Tucker Jun Abiel Gifford & William Gifford are appointed Representatives thereto who are to forward the same & report to next mo meeting.

John Howland & Abraham Russell & William [illegible] are appointed to [illegible] friends horses at the time of our next Quarterly meeting.

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At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 10th mo 1789. The Representatives from the preparative meetings [illegible] from the South [illegible] Easton & Benjamin Chase [illegible] Benja Taber & John Tucker who being called were all present.

[illegible] Yearly meeting having in their Epistle recommended the appointment of suitable friends to exercise a godly care [illegible] of society generally in our discipline, which having been under solid deliberation, we appoint Abiel Gifford Benja Taber Joseph Tucker Jun [illegible] to that service, and as occasion may be to assist the overseers & extend an early care over the Church in visiting the families of friends where there appears a want of advice & in the ability that truth may afford by caution and counsel labour for the advancement of our members in our several religious duties, & to make report at the

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end of one year

The appointment of Overseers being ex-
pired, upon [illegible] this meeting we appoint [illegible] for this
Overseers — Wm Gifford [illegible] Tucker & [illegible] being to have service for the en-
suing year or until others may be appointed.

The friends appointed in [illegible]
[illegible] report [illegible] in [illegible]
misconduct, and that his acknowledgement may be received
which being considered, his paper of acknowledgement is ac-
cepted for satisfaction & Abiel Gifford is appointed to read the
same in the usual public manner at Aponagansett & report
to next Mo meeting.

Caleb Greene informs that Abram
[illegible] paper [illegible] appointed [illegible]
last Mo meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the
marriage of [illegible] report that they discovered nothing
but that it was orderly solemnized & the certificate sent to
the clerk for recording

The friends appointed in the case
of [illegible] not being yet ready to make a conclusion report,
desired it continued another month, it is referred under their
care to report at next Mo meeting & they requesting an addition
to their number we appoint Joseph Barker to join them therein.

The friends appointed in the case
of Wm Hart not being prepared to make report & desire it referred
another month, the matter is referred under their care to
next Mo meeting.

The friends appointed to inspect the
clearness of Benja Smith respecting Marriage &c report that they
have taken the necessary care therein & find nothing but that
he is clear.

George Smith reports that he has
informed Caleb Anthony of his Denial; but that Abram Smith
is gone from home, he is continued to the care of informing him
& report when ready.

The friends appointed to the atten-
dance of the last Quar meeting report that they all attended
according to appointment.

Benjamin Smith & Martha Gifford
appeared & declared the continuation of their intentions of tak-
ing each other in Marriage, the necessary care having been
taken, they were allowed to proceed according to good order;
Peleg Gifford & Gideon Howland are appointed to see the
Marriage orderly solemnized the Certificate delivered for recording
& report to next mo meeting.

Caleb Congdon
and S Taber
and
Abm Tucker
and H Shearman
intention

Caleb Congdon & Susanna Taber,
Abraham Tucker & Hannah Shearman appeared in this meeting
and declared their intention of taking each other in marriage
whereupon we appoint Caleb Greene & Wm Rotch Junr to inspect

10 mo 1789 the clearness & conversation of Caleb Congdon, & [illegible] & Joseph Eddy to inspect the clearness & conversation of Abraham Tucker, with respect to their proceeding in marriage & report to our next mo meeting.

The Committee to receive subscriptions for the mo meeting stock report that they have received & paid to the Treasurer Five pounds eight shillings & one penny.

Elizabeth Chase [illegible]

A Removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk in behalf of Elizth Chase wife of Jno Chase to the mo meeting of Acoaxet.

Susanna [illegible]

Recd a Testimony of the Denial of Susanna Butts from the mo meeting of Sandwich which Abiel Gifford is appointed to read in the usual Public manner at Aponegansett & report it to next mo meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting held at Dartmouth the 16th of the 11th Month 1789. The Representatives from the Prepare meetings by the Accots presented were from the So. Joseph Tucker Junr & Gideon Howland, No. John Howland & Joshua Potter who were all present.

Stephen Potter recd

The Friends appointed sometime past on Stephen Potters request now report that they have taken several other opportunities with him thereon & think it safe that he be received a member, which report is accepted & with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting he is admitted as a member of our Society accordingly.

Abiel Gifford informs that Thomas Allens Paper has not been read, he is continued for that service & to report to next mo meeting, he also informs that the testimony of the Denial of Susanna Butts was read according to appointment.

Henry Smith Denied

The Friends appointed in the case of Henry Smith report, that they have had several other Opportunities & labour with him in the ability afforded, to bring him to a sight of his misconduct, but he did not appear sufficiently engaged to make friends satisfaction, which report is accepted. We conclude to deny the said Henry Smith from a right of Membership among us, the Womens meeting concurring therewith, same friends are continued to draw a testimony of his Denial, inform him thereof & report to next Mo. meeting.

By the report of the Committee in the case of Wm Hart it appears they have taken another Opportunity with him, & desire that matter may be continued another month, it is accordingly continued, they then to report.

By the report of the friends appointed it appears that Caleb Congdon & Abraham Tucker are clear in respect to their proceeding in marriage.

Caleb Congdon & Susanna Tucker, Abraham Tucker & Hannah Sherman appeared in this meeting & each couple severally declared the continuation of their intentions of marriage, requesting our answer thereto & due care having been taken they are allowed to proceed (to proceed

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agreeable to good order & Caleb Greene & Wm Rotch jun. are appointed to attend the Marriage of [illegible] & Susanna Tucker & Benjamin [illegible] Joseph Tucker to attend the marriage of Abraham Tucker & Hannah [illegible] to see that they be orderly accomplished & deliver their Marriage Certificates to the Recorder & report to next mo meeting.

The friends appointed to see the Marriage of Henry Smith & Martha [illegible] orderly accomplished report that they attended said marriage & that it was conducted orderly & the Marriage Certificate delivered to the Recorder accordingly.

The Queries were read with the answers from the Preparative Meetings together with the consolidation of the answers from this Meeting & Caleb Greene & Wm Rotch jun. are appointed to draw an acco[un]t to the Quarterly Meeting & bring to the adjournment of this meeting.

Friends on Allens Neck request to hold meetings for worship there the ensuing winter we appoint Thomas [illegible] Joseph Tucker jun. William Wood & Benjamin Taber to consider said request & report their judgment on it to the adjournment of this meeting.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 7th day of next mo. at the close of a meeting for worship which is appointed to be held on that day to begin at the 11th hour.

12th Month 7th Met by Adjournment,

The Friends appointed produced a Testimony of the denial of Henry Smith which was read approved & signed by the Clerk & is as follows

Henry Smith of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol & State of Massachusetts having had a Birthright amongst us the people called Quakers but for want of more closely adhering to the dictates of Truth has far departed from the principles we profess in resorting to a place of Musick & Dancing & Dancing himself, also being guilty of Spiritous Liquors & much neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings for which we have bestowed much labour & endeavoured to convince him of the inconsistency & dangerous consequency of such conduct but he not appearing [illegible] for his own good & these Friends satisfaction we therefore for the clearing of Truth & friends [illegible] give forth this Testimony against such conduct; hereby disowning him the said Henry Smith from membership with us until he shall by a more regular life & sincere repentance, and be restored to the way of Truth which is our desire & prayer. Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth by adjournment the 7th day 12th mo. 1787.

Signed by direction of said meeting
by Caleb Greene Clerk

& [illegible] is appointed to cause the same to be read in the usual publick manner at Aponeganset after the same friends have informed him of his denial which is not yet done, they to report to next mo. meeting.

And the Friends appointed produced

11 mo 1789 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Henry Smith & [illegible] [illegible] to report to next meeting.

The Friends appointed on the request of Friends in Allens neck [illegible] that they [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] not all [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] think they may have liberty to hold Meetings once more according to their request, which report is accepted & is referred to next meeting.

Edmd Maxfield, Cornelius Howland are appointed to make necessary Provision for Friends horses at the ensuing Quarterly meeting and present the cost of the expense to the next.

12 mo 1789 At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 21st of the 12th mo 1789,

The Accounts from the Preparative meetings being presented, the Representatives therein named were from the Town [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible] John Devol & Cornelius Howland who being called [illegible] [illegible].

Abiel Gifford reported that Thomas Allens Paper has been read as directed, said Paper is as follows,

Whereas I have sometime past so far been off my watch as to partake too freely of Spirituous Liquors & likewise utter some unbecoming Language which I am sorrow for and do condemn desiring that friends will so far pass it by as to continue me under their care from your friend

Dartmouth 15th of the 7 mo 1789. Thomas Allen

The committee in the case respecting [illegible] inform they have taken another opportunity with him but not being [illegible] to [illegible] a conclusion [illegible] they are therefore continued to [illegible] more & to report next month & [illegible] [illegible] Jun is appointed in place of [illegible] Howland who is about to leave home for some time.

By the Report of the Committee it appears that the marriage of [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] Tucker was orderly Solemnized & their Certificates delivered to the clerk for recording.

Abiel Gifford informs that Henry Smith has been informed of his denial & the Testimony thereof has been read according to appointment, which is recorded on 388th page.

The Representatives inform that they all attended the Quarterly meeting.

The [illegible] of the committee [illegible] the request of Friends in Allens neck, being further considered, it is concluded that they have the liberty of holding Meetings in the [illegible] Times & places, viz. [illegible] [illegible] each first day & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] week at the 11th hour excepting those on 5th days in the week of our monthly preparative & to be held at the [illegible] house of [illegible] [illegible] till the monthly meeting in the [illegible] mo next, at [illegible] [illegible] the remainder of the time at Timothy Gifford said meetings to be thus continued till after the meeting in the 4th mo next & Thomas [illegible], Joseph Tucker Jun, Joseph Estes, Timothy Gifford & [illegible] Gifford

12 mo 1789 are appointed to have the [illegible] of said [illegible] & attend their [illegible] them at our next meeting in the 4th mo or sooner if they find it necessary.

Henry Ricketson and Wilber Gifford Denied. The overseers inform that Henry Ricketson & Wilbur Gifford have married out of the order of Friends after being precautioned by said Overseers; We therefore with the concurrence of the Womens meeting deny the said Henry & Wilbur from a membership in our Society & Joseph [illegible] & Philip Gifford are appointed to take a solid opportunity inform them thereof & report to next mo. meeting.

Edw Tucker and Ann Gifford intention. Edward Tucker & Anne Gifford declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage, they having consent of parents concerned, Zephaniah Eddy & Obed Gifford are appointed to inspect Edward's clearness respecting marriage & conversation & report next mo meeting.

Wm Russell removed. The following certificate was signed by the Clerk for Wm Russell

To the Monthly Meeting at Saratoga.

William Russell having some time past removed within the verge of your meeting, & of late requested our Certificate these may therefore Certify that he hath a right of membership in this meeting & hath settled his outward affairs to pretty good satisfaction as far appears & as such we recommend him to your Christian care desiring his growth in the truth. Signed in & on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of 12th mo 1789

By Caleb Greene Clerk.

A Complaint was presented by the Overseers through the Preparative meeting against Isaac Howland [illegible] a Lawsuit against Benjamin [illegible] to pay said Benjamin for a quantity of corn & [illegible] which they laboured with said Isaac to convince him of the inconsistency of such Conduct but he declines to condemn it to friends satisfaction. Thomas Hathaway Joshua Potter Wm Smith & Seth Barker are appointed to take solid opportunity & labour further with him thereon & report to next mo meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 1st Month 1790, By the accounts presented from the Preparative meetings the Representatives from them appointed are [illegible] Zephaniah Eddy, Thomas [illegible] [illegible] Wm Tripp & Caleb Congdon, who on being called were all present.

The Committee in the case of Wm Hart report that they have had another opportunity with him but not being prepared to make a final report, they are continued to the care of that matter & to report to next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to inform Henry Ricketson & Wilbur Gifford of their Denial report that they gave them due information.

The Friends appointed report that they have taken the necessary Care respecting Edward Tucker's

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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in meetings.

[illegible] [illegible] being [illegible] an [illegible] of [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

The friends appointed in Isaac Howland's case report that they have had an opportunity with him thereon & that he appeared desirous to make friends [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]ing the suit at Law, which he caused to be commenced against Benjamin Allen & that the matter respecting the Coin &c is submitted to referees.

Isaac Howland gave in a Paper condemning his misconduct in commencing a suit at Law against Benjamin Allen which Paper was read & the same friends were appointed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] together with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Gifford who are added to them to [illegible] further opportunity with him in order to discover his sincerity & report to next mo. meeting.

Abigail Chase rec'd.

The women unite with this meeting in receiving Abigail Chase into membership with us.

We are informed by the [illegible] [illegible] meeting that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] appointed in conjunction with the women friends to [illegible] [illegible] family & report their sense of said request to next mo meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] our Removal Certificate to the mo meeting of Nine Partners he being about to settle there Wm Gifford & Jonathan Hart are appointed to take the necessary care and report accordingly to next mo meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Wm Gifford, George [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] are appointed for that service [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] appointed in their stead.

It being required by the Laws of this Commonwealth that the Clerks of our Mo meetings or keepers of our records make an annual return of the marriages solemnized in our Society to the Clerk of the County Sessions, which being considered & sent forward to our meeting for Sufferings, we are informed by a member from said meeting, that it is the advice of that meeting that we comply with said requisition, and our Clerk is directed to forward said returns accordingly & present an account of the expence attending it to the Auditor.

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At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 13th of the 2d month 1790.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] from the preparative meetings the Representatives [illegible] appointed from the [illegible] [illegible] Turner jun.r [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Wm Gifford & [illegible] [illegible] who were all present.

Two of the Committee in the case of Wm [illegible] report that they have again visited him & found [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] satisfaction [illegible] they [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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for further care & to report to next mo meeting. —

The committee not having visited [illegible] Smith's family for the indisposition of one of them they are continued & to perform that service & report to next mo meeting.

Edward Tucker & Anne Gifford appeared for their answer & no obstacle appearing to them, declaring in this meeting they intend shortly to proceed to take each other in Marriage at some convenient time between this & next mo meeting, proceeding according to the good order established among us, [illegible] friends [illegible] meeting appoints [illegible] [illegible] Gifford & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the certificate to the recorder & [illegible] next mo. meeting.

Saml Potter [illegible]

The Friends appointed produced a removal Certificate for Samuel Potter directed to the mo meeting of Nine partners which being read & signed by the Clerk is as follows,

From our monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 2d mo 1790.

To the monthly Meeting at Nine partners.

Esteemed friends after our Salutation of love to you these may inform that Samuel Potter hath informed [illegible] that he is about to move from hence to live within the verge of your meeting. And desires our Certificate, these may certify on his behalf that he is a member of this meeting, his outward affairs settled and is clear of Marriage engagements as far as appears. And as such we recommend him to your Christian care, desiring his growth in the Truth, thus being [illegible] we conclude & remain your friends & brethren, signed in & on behalf of our said meeting

by Caleb Greene Clerk.

The committee in Isaac Howland's case report that they have taken some care therein but are not ready to make a conclusive report & desire it deferred, it is accordingly deferred under the same friends care till next mo meeting, they then to report.

Received six printed copies of the last London yearly Epistle one of which was read the weighty & seasonable advice therein contained is recommended to the consideration of our members [illegible] John [illegible] [illegible] Gifford [illegible] Gifford & [illegible] [illegible] are appointed to take the necessary care to have [illegible] them being [illegible] used & report to next mo meeting.

Silva Russell [illegible]

We concur with the Women friends in admitting Silvia Russell a member of our Society. — —

The Auditt of Accots report that they have settled Accts with our Treasurer & after all orders being paid there remains in his hands [illegible], [illegible] shillings & [illegible] pence the 23d day of this month.

The time of the service of the Auditt being expired Thomas Russell Thomas Hazard & Edmd Maxfield are appointed for that service for the year ensuing, or till others may be appointed in their stead.

The Committee appointed in 7 mo

2 mo 1790 last to collect money for the mo meetings Stock report that [illegible] our Treasurer four Pounds [illegible] Shillings [illegible] & said committee are dismissed from that service.

Benjamin Taber Jun^r Wm Howland Seth [illegible] Samuel Gifford & Caleb Barker are appointed to [illegible] Subscriptions for our mo meeting stock for the six mo ensuing & report the sums so collected to this meeting at the end of each Quarter, after having it to our Treasurer.

3 mo 1790 At a monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth 15th of 3d mo 1790.

The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings are, for the South [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & Wm Howland [illegible] being called [illegible] present.

The Clerk being absent Wm Rotch jun^r is appointed Clerk for this time.

The Committee in the Case of Wm [illegible] not being prepared to make a report are continued in that service & to report at next mo meeting.

Children of Abm Smith received The Committee appointed in consequence of Abraham Smith's request report that they have visited his family & think it safe that his six Children, namely [illegible] Mary, Zerviah, Abigail, Abraham & Rebecca be received Members of this meeting they are accordingly received.

The Friends appointed to attend the Marriage of Edward Tucker & Anna Gifford inform they attended [illegible] accordingly [illegible] & that their marriage Certificate is delivered to the Clerk.

By the reports of the friends appointed [illegible] appears that the London Epistle has been read in all our [illegible]

This meeting concurs with the Womens meeting in accepting acknowledgements of Deborah Allen & Lidia [illegible].

A Certificate from [illegible] mo Meeting dated 17th of 2 mo last in behalf of Harper Bowman certifying his clearness & consent of parents to proceed in marriage with Elizabeth Shepherd, was read & accepted.

The South Preparative meeting inform that Jerusha Smith requests that her son Isaac Smith may be received a member of our Society, whereupon we appoint [illegible] Tucker jun^r & Abiel Gifford to consider of said request; visit her thereon & report their judgment at next mo. meeting.

Harper Bowman & E Shepherd intention also Thos Gidley and M Gifford also Jona Russell & Deborah Howland Harper Bowman & Elizabeth Shepherd, Thomas Gidley & Martha Gifford, Jonathan Russell & Deborah Howland, each couple appeared in this meeting & mutually declared their Intentions of Marriage with each other, consent being produced in writing from the parents of Thomas Gidley & Jonathan Russell; whereupon we appoint [illegible] & [illegible] Howland to inquire into the conversation & clearness of those young men respecting their proceedure in Marriage & report to

3 mo 1790 next mo meeting.

Caleb Coffin Disowned The Overseers inform through the Preparative meeting that Caleb Coffin is guilty of the reproachful sin of fornication which he confessed and that they had a solid opportunity with him thereupon but he was not in a suitable disposition of mind to make satisfaction of his reproachful conduct. After considering the nature of the offence and the reproach brought upon Society thereby we are concerned to testify against him & can no longer own him a member of our Society, until he shall be favoured with a true sense of his misconduct & thereon make satisfaction to friends & John Howland & Wm Rotch Junr are appointed to prepare a publick testimony of his denial & report to next mo meeting, also to take a solid opportunity with him inform him of his denial & endeavour to leave him under the impression of the reproach his conduct has brought upon the truth.

A paper was received signed Peleg Allen & Susanna Allen, condemning their mis-conduct in having been guilty of the reproachful sin of fornication & expressing their sorrow therefor whereupon we appoint Abraham Smith & Joseph Austin to unite with a Committee from the Womens meeting in labouring with them in order to discover the grounds of their acknowledgment & report their sense thereof to a future mo meeting.

The Committee in case of Isaac Howland report that they have had a solid opportunity with him & received some good degree of satisfaction & he having produced a paper condemning his misconduct in the matter complained of & expressing his sorrow therefor & desiring friends to pass by his offence, & said Committee having thought best the same may be received, it is accordingly received for satisfaction & Wm Rotch Junr is appointed to read it in the usual public manner at Bedford & report to next mo meeting.

Two papers were read signed by Gilbert Howland & Elihu Russell each condemning his misconduct in partaking at an Entertainment where was music & dancing & declaring their sorrow therefor & desiring friends to pass by their offences, whereupon we appoint Abiel Gifford, George Smith & Philip Trafford to take such opportunity with them as they may think useful to discover their sincerity therein & report to our next mo meeting.

Thomas Hicks, Humphry Russell & John Baker are appointed in addition to the Committee to prepare for & carry forward the building of the Meeting house in Dartmouth.

The Queries were read with answers from each preparative meeting & answers compiled therefrom which with an account to the Quarterly meeting were read, signed by the Clerk & directed to be forwarded to said meeting by our Representatives who are Abiel Gifford Wm Gifford & James Davis.

4 mo 1790 At our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 4th mo 1790.

The Representatives from the Preparative

4 mo 1790. meetings [illegible] were presented were from the [illegible] & [illegible] North. Abm Smith & Jonathan Hart who were are present.

The committee in case of Wm [illegible] not being ready to report are again continued & are requested to [illegible] their labour & report to next mo meeting.

- Isaac [illegible] The committee on case of Isaac Smiths request, report they have attended to their appointment & have discovered nothing to discourage his request being granted: therefore Isaac Smith is, with the consent of the Womens meeting is accordingly received a member of this Meeting.

By report of the committee to inquire the clearness of Jonn Russell & Thomas Gidley respecting their proceeding in marriage, there appears nothing to hinder their proceeding.

The committee to inform Caleb Congdon of [illegible] report they have performed their service according to their appointment & produced a Testimony of said denial, which was read approved & signed by the Clerk, who is appointed to read it in the usual Publick manner at Bedford & report next mo mtg. Said Testimony is as follows,

From our Monthly meeting of Dartmouth the 19th of 4th mo 1790.

Whereas Caleb Congdon has been by birthright a member of our Religious society but having disregarded the manifestation of Truth placed in the hearts of man, the unerring principle which would have preserved him from evil hath been suffered to fall into that reproachful sin of Fornication, whereby he hath brought disgrace upon himself & dishonour upon our holy profession, wherefore we are constrained for the support of our Testimony against all unrighteousness, & for the clearing our society from the reproach his evil conduct hath brought upon us; thus to declare that we have disowned him & can no longer deem him a member of our Society, until we may be convinced of his sincere repentance for his misconduct & he shall be favoured to condemn the same to our satisfaction, which that he may, is our desire.

Signed in & on behalf of our said meeting
by Caleb Greene Clerk.

Harper Bowerman & Elizabeth Shepherd, Thomas Gidley & Martha Gifford, Jonathan Russell & Lavinia Howland each couple (couples) appeared in this meeting & declared the continuation of their Intentions of Marriage, desiring our answer, the necessary care having been taken they are allowed to proceed according to good order of [illegible] Gifford & Joseph Tucker Junr are appointed to attend the Marriage of Harper Bowerman, [illegible] Ricks & Timothy Gifford that of Thomas Gidley & [illegible] Howland & Joseph Tucker that of Jonathan Russell & see that they be orderly accomplished & deliver the Certificates to the Clerk for recording & report to next mo meeting.

Wm Rotch Junr informs he has read the acknowledgment of Isaac Howland as directed.

One of the Representatives informs they

Hezekiah Smith and [illegible] intentions

are attended the Quarterly meeting.

Hezekiah Smith & [illegible] appeared in this meeting & declared their intentions of marriage with each other, they having consent of parents, [illegible] & George Smith are appointed to inspect the clearness & conversation of Hezekiah Smith & report to next mo meeting.

The Overseers inform that they have Laboured with William Sandford Jun^r on account of his neglecting the due attendance of our Religious Meetings, & also having made an accomplishment of a marriage out of the order of Friends, but that he being not willing to condemn his conduct therein to Friends satisfaction; whereupon we appoint Jeremiah Baily & Thomas Russell to Labour further with him to endeavour to convince him of the inconsistency of his conduct & report to next mo meeting.

The Committee in case of Gilbert Howland & Elihu Russell inform they have attended to their appointment, but are not ready to make a conclusive report they are accordingly continued to report to next mo. meeting.

We are informed through the North Preparative meeting that Increase Smith refuses to comply with an award of arbitration in the case of a dispute between himself & Stephen Barker whereupon we appoint Thomas Nott, Timothy Howland Joshua Potter & John Barker to inspect into his reasons for noncompliance & Labour therein as the discipline directs & report to next mo meeting.

A paper was read thro the North Preparative meeting signed Stephen Barker condemning his misconduct in using unbecoming & threatening Language to Increase Smith, expressing his sorrow & desiring friends to pass it by, whereupon we appoint Wm [illegible] and Thomas Hicks to Labour with him to discover the sincerity thereof & report to next mo meeting.

The South Preparative meeting informs it is the Judgment of the Committee for carrying forward the building the Meeting-house in that place, that it may be necessary that the old house be taken down in a short time which being considered, said Committee are at liberty to proceed therein as they may think best.

And it is concluded by this meeting after the taking down of the house, there be held two meetings for worship, one at the house of Barnabas Russell & the other at the house of James Allen or any other house the Committee hereafter appointed may think best, both on first & fourth days, & that the South Preparative meeting be held alternately at each of the other houses, the next Preparative meeting to be held at Barnabas Russells & Abiel Gifford, [illegible], [illegible], Joseph Tucker, Wm Thomas Hicks, Benj^a Smith, Benj^a Chase, & George Smith are appointed to attend said meetings, to have the oversight of them, & report at a future meeting, or when said service may be accomplished.

It is concluded that our next

4 mo 1790 mo meeting be held at Newtown if this house be taken down at that time.

Rhoda Howland rec'd by certif. A Removal Certificate from the mo meeting of [illegible] [illegible] Howland was read & accepted.

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At our Monthly Meeting held at [illegible] in Dartmouth the 17th of the 5th mo 1790

The Representatives [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Howland, [illegible] Howland of [illegible], who are all present. Abraham Smith is appointed Clerk for this Time the former Clerk not being present by reason of indisposition of Body.

The Committee in the case of Wm Hart report that they have had an opportunity with him to [illegible] [illegible] satisfaction but are not ready to make a conclusive report, therefore the matter is referred under the same friends care they to report to next mo meeting.

This meeting is informed that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Joseph Tucker [illegible] [illegible] the marriage of [illegible] [illegible]: & Timothy Gifford [illegible] & Thomas Hicks attended the marriage of Thomas [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] the marriage of Jonathan Russell & that they [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to the Clerk for recording.

The friends appointed to enquire into the clearness of Hezekiah Smith respecting marriage report that they find nothing to hinder their proceeding therein.

Hezekiah Smith & Silvia Russell appeared in this meeting & declared the continuation of their intentions of marriage having their answer the necessary care having been taken they are allowed to proceed according with the friends appointed for that purpose & [illegible] Howland & Wm Anthony are appointed to see the marriage orderly accomplished & to forward their certificate to the Clerk for recording & make report to next meeting.

The Committee in the case of Wm Sanford Junr Report they have had an opportunity with him but are not ready to make a conclusive report, therefore the matter is continued under the same friends care & to report to next mo meeting.

The Committee in [illegible] [illegible] case report that they have had an opportunity with him & [illegible] their judgment that the controversy between him and Stephen [illegible] be again left to men to be appointed by this Meeting & John Howland [illegible] [illegible] & Timothy Gifford are accordingly appointed to hear the parties [illegible] and if they are [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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the matter between them & Report to next mo meeting.

The Committee in the case of Elihu Russell & Gilbert Howland report that they have not had an opportunity with them therefore they are continued to the care of that matter & report to next mo meeting.

The Committee in [illegible] [illegible] inform this meeting that they are not ready to make a conclusive report therefore it is deferred to next mo meeting, under the same friends care they then to report.

Samuel Tolliscult returned.

The removal Certificate signed for Saml [illegible] [illegible] 1790 [illegible] monthly meeting of the Nine partners is returned to this meeting.

The Committee to collect the monthly meetings Stock, inform this meeting that they are not ready to make a conclusive report [illegible] therefore their report is deferred to next mo meeting.

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At our Monthly meeting of Dartmouth held at Bedford the 21st of the 6 mo 1790.

The Representatives named in the [illegible] from the Prepar^e meetings [illegible] from the South Latham Wood & Benj^a Chace, North Abm Smith & Jon^a Hart all present.

Visit of Daniel Offley and Jn^o [illegible]

Our beloved friend Daniel Offley attended this meeting & produced a Certificate from Philad^a Monthly Meeting for the Southern district dated 28th 4th mo [illegible] Philad^a Quarterly meeting 3rd of 5th mo last, expressing their unity with his ministry & concern to make a religious Visit to friends in New York & New England; also his companion John [illegible] attended & produced a Certificate of concurrence from the same mo meeting dated 26 of 5 mo last both which were read to our satisfaction.

Part of the Committee in the Case of Wm Hart having had another opportunity with him, but not being ready to make a conclusive report are again continued, to [illegible] next mo meeting.

The friends appointed to attend Hez-iah Smith's marriage report that it was orderly accomplished, & the Certificate returned to the Clerk for recording.

The Committee in the case of Wm [illegible] inform they have visited him but are not prepared to make a conclusive report, they are accordingly continued to report to next monthly meeting.

The Queries were read with the Answers as brought up from the No Preparative Meeting there being none regularly brought up from the other, said Answers with an account to the Quarterly Meeting were sign'd by the Clerk which are directed to be forwarded by our Representatives Benjamin [illegible] [illegible], Thomas Mott, & Caleb Barker who are to report to next Mo Meeting.

The Committee in [illegible] of Thomas Smith

6 mo 1790 Report they have attended to their appointment, but have not accomplished it, therefore it is continued under their care & they having requested an Addition to the Committee, we appoint Joseph Austin Seth Russell to unite with them agreable to their former appointment.

The Committee in the case of Stephen Tucker not being prepared to make a [illegible] report we again continue it to report to next Mo Meeting.

The Committee [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] report that they have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Meetings.

Visit of Elizabeth Drinker and Hannah Yerkes Our esteemed Friend Elizabeth [illegible] attended our Meeting, produced a Certificate from Philadelphia Mo Meeting 30th of 4th mo & Concurrence from Philadelphia [illegible] Meeting the [illegible] 5th Mo expressing their Unity with her Ministry and concern to visit Friends in New England, also our companion Hannah Yerkes attended with Certificate from Philadelphia Mo Meeting for Northern District 25th of 5th mo past expressing their Unity with her as an Elder, & concern to accompany our said friend which Certificates were read to satisfaction.

Matthew Howland family rec'd by cert. A Removal Certificate was received from Sandwich Mo Meeting dated 4th of 6th Mo last in favour of Matthew Howland lately removed to Bedford & Abigail his wife & their children namely [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], Abigail and Wing, which was read and accepted.

The Committee [illegible] the Meetings in Slocum's & Allen's Necks report that all the Meetings have been kept up & attended in some good degree orderly; the Midweek Meeting not so generally attended as those on first Day.

This Meeting concludes that our next Mo Meeting be held in this Place.

7 mo 1790 At our Monthly Meeting of Friends of Dartmouth held at Bedford the 19th of 7 mo. 1790.

The Representatives by the accounts from the Preparative Meetings are from the So. Joseph Tucker & Abiel Gifford, North Jno Howland and Thomas Mott all Present.

The Committee in the case of Wm Cud[illegible] report that they have attended to it had another opportunity with him & that he gave them some satisfaction & also presented a Paper condemning his misconduct which was read and considered and the Committee is continued to make inspection into his conduct in order to discover his sincerity and report to next Mo Meeting.

Judith Gifford rec'd The Womens Meeting inform that they have concluded to accept of Rebecca Ricketson Wife of Abm Ricketson's Paper of Acknowledgement for Satisfaction & to admit Judith Gifford a Member of our Society which this meeting concurs with.

One of the Committee in the case of Wm Sandford Jun. report that they have had an opportunity with him and desire an addition to their Number Thomas [illegible]

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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] appointment [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Business.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended.

The Committee in the case of [illegible] [illegible] report that they have attended thereto & that the Matter is not yet [illegible] and therefore desire it continued another month it is accordingly continued under the same Friends care, who are to report to next mo Meeting.

The Friends in the case of Stephen Barker report that they have attended thereto but are not prepared to make a conclusive report which they are desired to do next mo Meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting produced an extract from the minutes of s'd Meeting also the following Epistles and Extracts from our last Yearly Meeting (Viz) One Epistle from said yearly Meeting & Extracts from the Minutes of the same, the Epistle from the yearly Meeting in London & [illegible] [illegible] copies of the Epistle from the yearly Meeting in Philadelphia and [illegible] all which were read in this Meeting to our satisfaction & the further consideration of the s'd Epistles is referred to next mo Meeting.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward to the Treas'r of the yearly Meeting £ [illegible] as our proportion of the Yearly Meeting stock.

Abraham
Barker
[illegible]

A Certificate was received from Nantucket mo Meeting in favour of Abraham Barker, a Youth who is living with a Friend of this Meeting which was read and accepted.

On consideration of a Request from a Committee of our last Quarterly Meeting appointed to visit our meetings we conclude that our Preparative Meetings for the 9th mo. be held at Aponaganset the 27th, at Bedford the 28th & our mo Meeting the 29th of s'd 9 mo & the Clerk is requested to acquaint said Committee hereof.

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[illegible]
[illegible]

A Bill was received from Rebecca [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Family [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by Fire, which was read & in order to render [illegible] assistance we recommend it to the consideration of Friends, and appoint Thomas Hett, Thomas [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], Gideon Howland, Wm Barker to receive subscriptions for the [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] & report to next mo Meeting.

The Time for which the Clerk was appointed having expired said Friend is again appointed Clerk for the year ensuing or till another may be appointed.

This Meeting concludes with divine Permission to hold our next Meeting at this Place.

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At our monthly meeting of Friends of Dartmouth held at Bedford the 16th of the 8th mo 1790.

The Representatives named in the accounts presented from the Preparative Meetings were from [illegible] Thomas Hicks & Joseph Estes, No. Benjamin Taber & Wm Gifford all present.

[illegible]

Our beloved Friend [illegible] [illegible] attended this Meeting & presented a Certificate from Wilmington

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The Meeting held 13th of 7 mo last & concurred at Chester Quarterly Meeting the 2d [illegible] appearing [illegible] Unity with the Ministry & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] appearing [illegible] Unity with him as an Elder & concur in [illegible] our old Friend.

The Committee in the case of Wm [illegible] Ac[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to make report at next mo. Meeting.

The Committee in case of William [illegible] [illegible] not having accomplished the service of their appointment are continued to next mo. Meeting.

The Friends appointed as Arbitrators [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the parties [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] said Arbitrators are accordingly dismissed.

The Committee in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] accordingly continued to report to next mo meeting.

The Yearly meeting Epistle being again under consideration & friends being requested to contribute in their freedom towards the Fund of the Yearly Meeting School, which are yet inadequate [illegible] [illegible] of said School. We therefore recommend to friends a due consideration of the importance of this subject & have appointed Joseph [illegible] Jonathan [illegible], Joseph [illegible] &, Benjamin [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for that purpose & report at [illegible] mo Meeting [illegible] next.

Lydia
Wood
[illegible]

A [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Lydia Wood [illegible]

The Yearly Meeting also having in their Epistle recommended a fresh attention to important trust of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in this meeting that the meeting [illegible] [illegible] may be made & [illegible] & to the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to pay due attention to [illegible] & give such encouragement to the establishment of Schools in the different parts of our meetings as may to them appear necessary, and apply for the advice of this meeting when it may be needful.

The Committee to receive subscriptions for the relief of Richd Newcomb & family, not being ready to report, they are continued to report next mo meeting.

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Bogg

Emanuel [illegible] Wood & [illegible] Bogg appeared in this & declared their intention of taking each other in marriage having consent of parents & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] next mo meeting for answer, & Thomas [illegible], Philip [illegible] are appointed to inquire the young mans clearness respecting Marriage & conversation & report to next mo. meeting.

A Complaint was presented [illegible]

8 mo 1790 the [illegible] Preparative meeting [illegible] in behalf of Ezra Russell in his neglecting the [illegible] attendance of our religious Meetings in keeping unsuitable company & attending places of music & dancing for which misconduct he hath been laboured with for his conduct, but refused [illegible], we therefore appoint [illegible] and & Benjamin Taber to take a solid opportunity & labour further with him thereon & report to next Mo meeting.

The [illegible] that our [illegible] Monthly Meeting [illegible] [illegible].

9 mo 1790 At our Monthly Meeting of Friends of [illegible] held at [illegible] the 20th of 9 mo 1790

The Representatives from the Preparative meetings by the Accts presented were from the South Abiel Gifford & Benjn Allen 2nd, North Daniel Ricketson & Edmund Gifford all present.

The Friends appointed to inspect the clearness of Marlborough Wood respecting Marriage & Conversation report that they have taken the necessary care & find no obstruction to his proceeding in Marriage.

Abigail Briggs removal A removal certificate in favour of Abigail Briggs wife of Oliver Briggs directed to the Mo. Meeting of Saratogo was approved & signed by the Clerk.

Marlborough Wood and Rhoda Briggs appeared for their answer & were left at liberty to proceed to take each other in Marriage at some convenient time before next Mo Meeting according to good order advising with Thomas Hicks & Benjamin Allen 2d the Friends appointed to see said Marriage orderly accomplished & the certificate delivered to the Clerk for recording & who are to report to next Mo meeting.

Mo Meeting held at New meeting at Adjournment This Meeting is adjourned to the 29th instant to be held at the new meeting house at Aponaganset at the close of a meeting for Worship to begin at the 11th hour.

29th day met by adjournment.

The Representatives being called are all present.

The Clerk being absent Wm Rotch Junr is appointed Clerk for this day.

The Committee appointed to visit Peleg Allen & Wife in order to discover the sincerity of their acknowledgement report they have made several visits, which were to their satisfaction wherefore with the concurrence of the womens meeting it is received for satisfaction & William Rotch Junr is appointed to read it in the usual public manner.

The Queries were read with the answers compiled from those received from the Preparative meetings, which Answers are directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting.

The Committee in the case of Wm Hart informs that they have had a late opportunity with him to some satisfaction, but think best his case be continued, it is accordingly

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continued under their care to next mo meeting.

The Committee in the case of Wm Sanford [illegible] [illegible] his having an [illegible] at his house on account of [illegible] likewise for having Sued a friend at law without obtaing liberty from Friends, but their Labour had not the desired effect, wherefor it is our [illegible] [illegible] pointed to inform him of his denial & prepare a testimony thereof & lay before our next mo. meeting.

The Committee in the case of Stephen Parker not being prepared to make report on acct of sickness of one of the Committee [illegible] Tucker in addition to said Committee to labour further with him & [illegible] next mo. meeting.

Subscription for [illegible] combs family

The Committee to receive Subscriptions [illegible] Thomas Hazard Jur is desired to forward to him as soon as may [illegible]

Ezra R[illegible]

The Committee in the case of Ezra R[illegible] [illegible] but did not receive any satisfaction therefore it is our judg- [illegible] prepare a testimony thereof & lay before next mo meeting.

The Overseers inform this [illegible] the South preparative meeting [illegible] dancing, also his being charged with the [illegible] ious meetings but that he did not appear in a State of mind [illegible] [illegible] duct & report to our next mo. meeting.

Elizth Lee and 6 children

A removal certificate was received from Acoaxet mo meeting dated 25th of present month in behalf of Elizabeth Lee, wife of [illegible] Lee & their 6 children namely Lydia, Nathaniel, [illegible] Jeriah & [illegible] read & accepted

We appoint Abial Gifford, Thomas Hazard Jur & John Howland to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting to which an account was prepared & approved & signed by the Clerk.

The Committee appointed to carry on

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in [illegible] of this meeting [illegible] [illegible] of Committee [illegible] made [illegible] may be [illegible] & to pay their Contracts for said House & as soon as may be settle their accounts & report the State of them to this meeting.

Joseph Austin & Daniel Dickeson are appointed to make the necessary provision for Friends attending our next Quarterly Meeting & report an acco.t of the Expence to our next Mo. meeting.

It is concluded that our next Mo. meeting be held at Seaford.

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At our Monthly meeting [illegible] held at Dartmouth the 18th of the 10th Mo 1790.

The Representatives by the accots presented from the Preparative Meetings are [illegible] Joseph [illegible], [illegible], [illegible] & Thomas Smith [illegible].

The Friends appointed to attend Quarterly Meeting report it was [illegible] attended & have returned the Certificate to the Clerk.

Wm Rotch Junr informs he read the Paper of Acknowledgment of Perry & Susannah Allen as directed.

The Committee in case of Wm Heart not having any report to make at this time are continued to the care of that matter to report to next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed in case of Wm Sanford Junrs denial report they have informed him thereof & produced a Testimony of his denial which on being approved was signed by the Clerk & Thomas Hicks is appointed to read it in the usual public manner & report to next Mo meeting. Said Testimony is as follows,

Whereas William Sanford Junr having been under the care of Friends & disregarding the Testimony of Truth so far as to neglect the due attendance of Religious meetings, had an Entertainment at his house for a Marriage out of the order of our Society & sued a friend at law & Friends having laboured with him in love in order to convince him of the inconsistency of his conduct but our Labour of love not having the desired effect to friends satisfaction, therefore we hereby publickly disown the said Wm Sanford Junr from being one of our Society & from under the care of Friends desiring that he may yet be restored to the way of Truth, Given forth at our Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth the 18th of the 10th Month 1790.

Signed in & by order of said Meeting,
by Caleb Greene clerk.

The Committee in the case of Stephen Parker inform they have had an opportunity with him, but think best that it be referred to our next Mo. meeting, it is accordingly referred.

The Committee in the case of Ezra Russells denial report they have informed him thereof & produced

10 mo 1790 a Testimony of his denial which on being approved was signed by the Clerk & Thomas Hicks is appointed to read it in the usual public manner at Aponaganset & report to next mo. meeting, said Testimony is as follows,

From our Monthly meeting held in Bedford for Dartmouth 18th of the 10th mo 1790.

Whereas Ezra Russell of Dartmouth hath had a birthright among us the people called Quakers but for want of more closely attending to the dictates of Truth in his own mind has given way to the neglect of the due Attendance of our Religious Meetings has kept unprofitable company & attended a place of musick & dancing also has been too free in spiritous liquors all of which being contrary [illegible] the rules of our [illegible] we have laboured with him in love in order to convince him of the Inconsistency of such conduct but he not appearing in a state of mind suitable to make Friends satisfaction we therefore for the clearing of Truth & Friends from such conduct give forth this our Public Testimony against such conduct hereby disowning the said Ezra Russell from Membership with us until he by a more circumspect Walking & Amendment of Life manifests Repentance which is our desire,

Signed in behalf of our said meeting

by Caleb Greene Clerk.

Holder Russell denied — Two of the Committee to visit Holder Russell inform they visited him according to appointment but that he gave them no Satisfaction, wherefore we deny unity with him & no longer account him a Member of our Religious Society until he may be favoured with a sense of his misconduct & return to satisfaction of Friends & Benjamin Allen 2nd & Gideon Howland are appointed to inform him hereof & prepare a Testimony of his Denial & lay before our next mo. meeting.

One of the Representatives informs they all attended the Quarterly meeting.

Elizabeth Smith denied — This meeting concurs with the Womens meeting in denying Elizabeth Smith daughter of Deliverance Smith deceased.

Papers of acknowledgment were received from [illegible] Eddy & [illegible] Gifford condemning their misconduct in having joined a Company at a place where Musick & Dancing were performed; whereupon we appoint Thomas Hicks & Joseph Tucker to take a solid opportunity with them to discover their sincerity & report to next Monthly meeting.

One of the Committee to receive Subscriptions for the meetings Stock report that the time of their appointment has expired that they except Wm Howland have received & paid to the Treasurer £2..17..3. Wm Howland being absent his report is referred to next mo. meeting.

Stephen Potter, Thomas Smith & Zephaniah Eddy are appointed to receive Subscriptions for the Meetings Stock for the following Year [illegible] & to make report of the sums received at each [illegible] meeting & pay [illegible] to the Treasurer.

The appointment of Overseers is referred to the next Monthly meeting.

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It is concluded that our next mo. meeting be held at the new Meeting House at Aponagansett.

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At our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 11th Month, 1790.

The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings are from the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & from the [illegible] Joseph Austin & Wm Tripp who being called are all present.

The Clerk being absent Wm Rotch Junr is appointed Clerk for this day.

The Committee in case of Wm Russell inform they have bestowed further labour in that matter, but are not prepared to make a conclusion [illegible] therefore it is continued under their care to next mo meeting.

Ebenezer Allen's Cert.

A [illegible] Certificate from [illegible] mo meeting 15th of 7th mo last in behalf of Ebenezer Allen was received, read & accepted.

Thomas Hicks informs the Testimony of this meeting [illegible] Wm [illegible] junr [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] has been read according to direction.

Stephen Tucker denied

The Committee in the case of Stephen Tucker inform they have had several solid opportunities with him to convince him of the inconsistency of his conduct in using unbecoming language & being at a place of music & dancing, but he is not free to condemn the same to satisfaction, whereupon we deny unity with him & can no longer consider him a member of our Society until he may be favoured with a sense of his misconduct & make proper satisfaction. Thomas Hicks & Joseph Tucker are appointed to inform him thereof & prepare a Testimony of his Denial & return to next mo. meeting.

The Committee in case of Holder Russell's Denial report they have informed him thereof & prepared a Testimony of his Denial which on being read & approved was signed by the Clerk & Thomas Hicks is appointed to read it in the usual public manner at Aponagansett. which Testimony is as follows,

Holder Russell having had a Birthright of membership among us the People called Quakers hath much neglected the attendance of our religious meetings & attended a place of musick & dancing & also has been guilty of the Sin of Fornication for which unwarrantable & evil practices he hath been laboured with in love and tenderness in order to convince him of the inconsistancy of his said conduct, but our labour not appearing to have the desired effect on his mind, we therefore for the clearing of Truth & our Christian Testimony do disown him the said Holder Russell from being any longer a member of our Religious Society, until he shall amend his life and practice and make satisfaction for his misconduct.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 11th mo 1790.

Signed in and on behalf of said meeting

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by Wm Rotch Junr Clerk
for this time.

The Committee in the case of John Eddy & John Gifford report they have bestowed the needful Labour & think the Acknowledgement of John Eddy may with safety be accepted for satisfaction it is accordingly accepted, but it being their judgement that the case of John Gifford be [illegible] [illegible] to next mo meeting, and [illegible] is appointed to read John Eddys acknowledgement in the usual public manner.

Wm Lawrance not being present, his report is again referred to next mo meeting.

Overseers [illegible]

The appointment of Overseers being [illegible] the meeting now appoints Joseph Eddy, Benjn Taber, Thomas Wade, Timothy Gifford, Joseph Tucker, [illegible], John Tucker, Thomas Hicks & Wm Rotch junr to that service for the year ensuing.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] whereupon we appoint Joseph Gifford & Zephn Eddy to take a solid opportunity with him to discover the sincerity of his acknowledgement & report their sense to next mo meeting.

The Overseers inform through the [illegible] that [illegible] hath so far departed from the [illegible] of our Society as to neglect the due attendance of our Religious Meetings & hath greatly deviated from the Plainness of our Profession, both in Speech & Habit for all which he has been Laboured with, but doth not appear in a Disposition of mind to amend those defects; whereupon we appoint Joseph Tucker & Wm Gifford to Labour further with him & report to next mo meeting.

The Queries were read with the Answers [illegible] which being approved are directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting with an account which was also approved [illegible] & we appoint Benjn Taber & Joseph Tucker our Representatives to said Meeting.

This Meeting received a request from Friends in Allens Neck for liberty to hold Meetings for worship on [illegible] of the week, whereupon we appoint [illegible] Wm Gifford, David Gifford, [illegible] & [illegible] to accompany the Women friends who may be appointed to take a solid opportunity with those friends & report their sense thereof at our next mo meeting.

A Committee from the Quarterly Meeting appointed to consider some arraingments of our meetings, having attended this meeting, we appoint Thos Hicks, David Gifford, Wm Gifford, Joseph Tucker, [illegible] & Wm Rotch junr to confer with said Committee upon the Propositions they may make & report it to our next mo. meeting.

[illegible]

This Meeting being informed that John [illegible] late of [illegible] deceased hath by his last Will & Testament, bequeath the Income of his Estate to the Poor of any Denomination

11 mo 1790 & also requested this Meeting to appoint a Trustee [illegible] by said Will by applying by the further request of Peter Barker one of the Trustees therein appointed by the Testator, this Meeting taking the same under consideration do appoint Stephen Hathaway one of the Trustees accordingly, for one year or till others may be appointed in his or their place & that the said Trustee keep a fair account of the monies [illegible] & how the same is or may be appropriated and settle the same with the Committee heretofore appointed for that purpose at least once in a year — & the Clerk is directed to record [illegible] given all the [illegible] of the [illegible] of this Meeting [illegible] by [illegible] & [illegible] there [illegible].

Old West Trust

The Committee appointed in the 8th mo to open subscriptions towards the increase of the funds of Yearly Meeting Stock having reported to this mo. meeting that they have attended [illegible] said Committee is discharged.

Seth Russell & Barnabas Russell are appointed to make provision for the accomodation of Friends horses at our next Quarterly Meeting.

12 mo 1790. At our Monthly meeting of Dartmouth held the 20th of the 12th Month 1790.

The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings were present, the Representatives therein named were from the South Timo Gifford & Caleb Barker, North, Thomas Mott & Thomas Hazard, all present.

The Committee in case of Wm Hart, not having made further progress in their appointment the case is continued under their care to report at next mo. meeting.

The Committee in case of Stephen Barker report they have informed him of his Denial & produced a Testimony against him which being read & approved was signed by the Clerk & said Friends are appointed to read it in the usual public manner at Aponaganset. Said Testimony is as follows.

From our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 12 Mo 1790.

Whereas Stephen Barker has been under the Care of Friends but disregarding the Testimony of Truth so far as to neglect the due attendance of our Religious Meetings and using unbecoming threatening Language and being at a place of Music & Dancing all which being inconsistent with the Principles we profess, we have laboured with him in love to shew him the inconsistency thereof, he not being in a State of mind suitable to make Friends satisfaction we therefore for the clearing of truth & Friends from such Conduct give these forth as our public Testimony against such conduct, hereby disowning the said Stephen Barker from membership with us, untill he by a more circumspect walking and amendment of Life manifest a return to the way of Truth, which is our desire.

Signed in & on behalf of our said Meeting
by Caleb Greene Clerk.

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The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Russells Denial & John [illegible] acknowledgement have been [illegible] [illegible].

The Committee in the case of John Gifford report they have had an opportunity with him to some degree of Satisfaction after solid deliberation we conclude to refer the acceptance of acknowledgement until our next mo meeting.

Mary [illegible]

This Meeting concurs with the Womens in receiving Mary Chase a member of our Society.

Wm Cowlance being yet absent his report is again continued until next mo meeting.

Joseph Eddy [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a solid opportunity with [illegible] [illegible] & think it safe to accept his acknowledgement but he not being [illegible] it is referred to next mo meeting.

Othniel Tripp [illegible]

The Committee in Case of Othniel Tripp report that they have taken a suitable opportunity with him, but they not having discovered in him a disposition to make Friends Satisfaction we therefore deny unity with him can no longer continue a member of our Society until he may be favoured to walk more circumspectly & to make satisfaction to this meeting. The same friends are desired to inform him thereof.

The Representatives inform they all attended the Quarterly meeting.

Sarah & Rachel [illegible] removed

A removal Certificate was presented by the Womens meeting in behalf of Sarah & Rachel Weaver to the Mo Meeting at Acoaxet which being approved was signed by the Clerk.

The Committee to consider of the request of Friends in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] they have visited them & upon weighty consideration think best their request be granted, they have therefore liberty to hold a meeting on first & fifth Days until the mo meeting in the third Mo except the fifth days those weeks upon which our meetings for Discipline may be held at the following places one quarter of the time at Timothy Giffords; one quarter at Eliez Slocums; one quarter at Elijah Giffords & one quarter at Susanna Allens, under the care of the following friends Thomas Hicks, Philip Trafford, Timothy Gifford, Abiel Gifford & Joseph Eddy, they to report when their service shall be accomplished.

The Committee of this meeting to meet with a Committee of the Quarterly meeting inform they conferred with them according to appointment but no conclusion having been made by the Quarterly meetings Comee they have no report to make, they are therefore dismissed.

Elihu Russell [illegible]

The Committee in Case of Elihu Russells acknowledgement report they have taken such opportunity with him as they thought needful & do not discover him in a state of mind to live conformable to our wholesome order therefore we are constrained to deny unity with him, & no longer account him a member of our Society, until he may return to our Satisfaction and Philip Trafford & Abiel Gifford are appointed to inform him thereof & prepare a testimony of his denial & report to next mo meeting.

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The Overseers inform through the So Preparative meeting that Peleg Slocum 3d has been laboured with for his neglecting the due attendance of our Religious Meetings, using unbecoming Language attending a place of Music & Dancing and also accompanying with a Woman that was not his Wife which brought reproach upon our Society and that he did not give them Satisfaction. whereupon we appoint [illegible] Chase, Gideon Howland, Peleg Gifford to labour further with & endeavour to convince him of the great Inconsistency & evil of his conduct & report to our next mo meeting.

The Overseers inform likewise that Perry Smith has neglected the attendance of our Religious Meetings and Married out of the order of Society & hath been Laboured with, whereupon we appoint John Howland & John Tucker to labour further with him & report to a future mo meeting.

Thomas Allen, Wm Anthony are appointed in Addition to those appointed in 10th mo last to receive Subscriptions to this Meetings Stock.

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At our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 1st month 1791.

The Representatives named in the Accounts received from the Preparative Meetings are from the South Joseph Tucker & Benjamin Smith, North, John Tucker & John Howland, all present except Benjamin Smith.

[illegible] having requested a Certificate respecting his Clearness respecting Marriage to the Mo Meeting of Acoaxet Timothy Howland & Jos Tucker are appointed to make the necessary Enquiry and if they find things clear to produce one to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting being Small by means of the Extremity of the Weather, it is therefore adjourned to the 26th of this Inst at the Close of the Meeting for Worship.

26th inst by adjournment.

The Representatives being called in all present.

The Clerk being absent Wm Rotch Junr is appointed Clerk for this Time.

William
Hart
Denied

The Committee in Case of Wm Hart report they have Several times Laboured with him in consequence of their appointment but since of late his practice of using Spirituous Liquors to intoxication is reproachful to Truth therefore we are constrained for the clearing of our Testimony to deny unity with him & can no longer own him a member of our Society untill he shall be favoured to reform his conduct & make friends Satisfaction. & John Tucker & Jonn Hart are appointed to inform him of his Denial & prepare a Testimony thereof, and lay before next mo meeting.

Abiel Gifford informs the Testimony of Stephen Barker's Denial has been read according to appointment.

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The Case of [illegible] acknowledgment being offered this meeting it is now accepted for satisfaction & [illegible] Hicks is appointed to read it in the usual public manner at Aponeganset.

Wm Howland having sent a verbal word that he has not received any Satisfaction since the first report of Comee he is released from his appointment.

The Case of Clark Rickitson is again referred to next mo. meeting & Zephr Eddy & Abraham Smith are appointed to take another Solid opportunity with him & report at our next mo Meeting.

The Comee in Case of [illegible] report they have informed him of his Denial & that he requested a Copy thereof the Clerk is hereby requested to furnish him with a Copy of the Minutes.

The Comee in Case of Elihu Russell report they have informed him of his Denial & produced a Testimony thereof which being read & approved was signed by the Clerk, & [illegible] Hicks is appointed to read it in the usual Public manner at Aponeganset. Said Testimony is as follows,

From our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth by adjournment the 26th of the 1st Month 1791.

Whereas Elihu Russell having been under the care of Friends but disregarding the Testimony of Truth hath neglected the due Attendance of our religious Meetings & went to a Place where there was an Entertainment with Musick & Dancing and joined therein, all which being inconsistent with the Principles we profess, we have laboured with him in order to shew him the inconsistency thereof but he not being in a State of mind [illegible] to make Friends satisfaction we therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends from such conduct give forth our Public Testimony against such practice hereby disowning the said Elihu Russell from Membership with us untill he by a more circumspect and amendment of Life manifest a Return to the way of Truth, which is our desire.

Signed in behalf of our said Meeting
by Wm Rotch Junr Clerk
for this Time.

Peleg Slocum 3d [illegible]

The Comee in case Peleg Slocum 3d report they have taken a Solid opportunity with him but did not receive satisfaction from respecting his conduct, therefore we deny unity with him and can no longer own member of our Society untill he shall be favoured to see the evil of his conduct & make Friends satisfaction & same Friends are appointed to prepare a Testimony of his Denial inform him thereof & report to next mo meeting.

[illegible]

A removal Certificate from Providence mo meeting 29th of 12th mo last in behalf of [illegible] lately removed here, was received read & accepted.

A Certificate was produced for Wm Anthony certifying his clearness to proceed in Marriage with a Member of Acoaxet mo meeting which being read & approved was signed by the Clerks.

1 mo 1791. The Overseers inform through the South Preparative Meeting that Nathaniel Howland hath been laboured with for his neglect in the due attendance of our religious meetings & attending an entertainment where was music & dancing, also for his having been guilty of the sin of fornication, as appears by his wife having a child before marriage but he did not appear in a disposition to make Friends satisfaction, wherefore we appoint [illegible] Howland & Abiel Gifford to labour further with him to endeavour to convince him of the evil of his conduct & report to next monthly meeting.

Joseph Tucker, John Howland & [illegible] Russell are appointed to look up the Books & Papers belonging to this meeting not in the Clerks hands & to report to next mo meeting.

The Committee to have the care of two Meetings in Acoaxet during the time of [illegible] the Meeting House report that the Meeting at [illegible] was kept to pretty good satisfaction and that at [illegible] Russell's house was not so well attended as could be desired.

The General Epistle from the last Yearly Meeting of Friends in London was received & [illegible] & we appoint Wm Anthony, Benja Allen Jr, [illegible], Wm Rotch Junr to read it at the close of our several first day meetings.

2 mo 1791 At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting the 21st of 2 mo 1791.

The Representatives appointed by the Preparative Meetings are from the South John Barker & Joseph [illegible], from the North Joseph Austin & Wm Gifford, who being called are all present except Joseph [illegible], for whose absence a satisfactory reason was sent.

The Clerk being absent Wm Rotch Junr is appointed Clerk for this Day.

A paper received from the [illegible] Preparative meeting signed by Obadiah [illegible] acknowledging [illegible] for having fallen into the sin of fornication, wherefore we appoint [illegible] & [illegible] to labour with Obadiah to endeavour to find the sincerity of his acknowledgment & report at a future mo meeting.

This meeting unites with the Women's meeting in accepting the acknowledgments of Lydia Potter & [illegible].

[illegible] appointed, report they have informed Wm Hart of his Denial & produced a Testimony thereof which being read & approved was signed by the Clerk & Wm Gifford is appd to read it in the usual public manner at Newtown.

Thos Hicks informs the Testimony of [illegible] Denial has been read as directed.

The committee in case of Clark Dickerson having had an opportunity with him, but thinking it best his case be continued, it is accordingly continued under their care 'till next mo. meeting.

2 mo 1791. The Committee in case of [illegible] in-
form they have informed him of his denial & presented a Testimony thereof, which being approved was signed by the Clerk & Wm Anthony is appointed to read it in the usual manner at Dartmouth.

The Comm.ee in the case of Nathaniel Howland, not having had an opportunity with him by reason of his absence from home, that matter is referred under the same Friends care untill a future mo meeting.

The friends appointed to collect the [illegible] not having accomplished their appt are continued to report next mo meeting.

Wm Rotch, Gideon Howland, John [illegible] Thomas Smith & Wm Anthony are appointed to have the care of the Wood lot belonging to this meeting & to take such steps for the preservation of it from time to time as they may think best & consistent with the advice of this meeting.

This meeting being informed by a Comm.ee from Sandwich mo meeting who have something to communicate to us, and appoint Wm Rotch jur, Gideon Howland, [illegible] & [illegible] to confer with said Committee & find what they have to lay before us, & also to consider in what manner the same be introduced into this meeting, & report to next mo meeting.

3 mo 1791 At our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 21st of 3d mo 1791.

The Accots from the Preparative meetings were presented, the Representatives therein named were from the South Timothy Gifford and Wm Rotch Junr, from [illegible] Thomas [illegible] & Thomas [illegible] who were all present.

We are informed the Testimony of Wm Harts denial was read as directed. Which Testimony is as ffollows

From our Monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 21st of 2d mo 1791.

Wm Hart of Dartmouth having been a member of our Society but for want of adhering to the Divine principle placed in the heart of man, which would have preserved him from evil, hath fallen into the reproachful practice of Drinking to excess & even to intoxication, whereby he hath brought disgrace upon himself & dishonour upon our holy profession. And having been treated with in order to bring him to a sight and sense of his situation without any prospect at present of his reformation. We are constrained for the support of our Christian testimony against all manner of evil, thus to deny unity with him & hereby certify that we can no longer consider him a member of our Society untill he shall be favoured to reform his conduct & make satisfaction to this meeting, which that he may is our desire.

Signed by order of said meeting held as above
by Wm Rotch Jun Clerk for this day.

The Committee in the case of Clark Rick-
etson inform they have laboured with him, & find that since his

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acknowledgement was presented he has fallen into the like Transgression, [illegible] the same friends are continued to labour further with him & report to next mo meeting.

The Committee in case of [illegible] Howland [illegible] his acknowledgement to some satisfaction & think it may be safe to accept the same his acknowledgement is accordingly accepted [illegible] appointed to read the same in the usual publick manner at Aponoganset.

Wm Anthony not having read the Testimony of Denial of Peleg Slocum for reasons assigned to this meeting, he is now desired to read it as directed.

The Friends appointed to collect this Meeting's Books and papers, report that they have not accomplished that [illegible] they are continued to that Case & to report to next meeting.

A Paper was received from Humphrey Russell condemning his Conduct in attending as a Spectator at a Horse Race [illegible] whereupon we appoint Abiel Gifford & Wm Barker Junr to labour with him to find the sincerity of his acknowledgement & report to our next mo meeting.

A Complaint was received from the Overseers thro the So Preparative meeting informing that Humphrey [illegible] a Member of our Society, has lately attended a Horse Race, that he has been laboured with by said Overseers to convince him of the Inconsistancy of such practice, but he was not willing to condemn it in the manner our Discipline requires, whereupon we appoint Peleg Gifford and John Howland to labour further with him thereon & report to next mo meeting.

The Queries with the Answers from the Prepar. Meetings were read with a Compilation of said Answers from this Meeting.

A Paper of acknowledgement from Peleg Sanford Junr was received through the South Preparative meeting & read which condemns his keeping unprofitable company & attending [illegible] of Music and dancing, whereupon we appoint Abraham Smith & Gideon Howland to labour with him thereon to [illegible] his Sincerity & report to next mo meeting.

Benjn Allen 2d requests that that his Children may be admitted as members of our Society whose names are Rhoda, Phebe, Miranda & Pamela, we therefore appoint Timothy Gifford & Thomas Hicks to unite with those the Women may appoint to visit Benjn & his family consider said request & report to next mo meeting.

Ebenezer & Mercy Hicks [illegible] that their Children namely Preserved, Hannah, [illegible] & [illegible] may be admitted Members of our Society; Jonathan [illegible] & John [illegible] are appointed to unite with the Women Friends in visiting said Family to consider the request & report [illegible] monthly meeting.

Benjn Rider having requested Certificates

3 mo 1791 in order of his being [illegible] Friends to the Monthly meeting at [illegible]. we appoint [illegible] & Thos Howell to inspect circumstances & if clear prepare Certificates & return to our next mo meeting.

This meeting being informed that Benja- min Potter Son of Daniel Potter being with Friends at [illegible] in Providence Mo meeting for being a member of our Society the Clerk of ye day is directed to send that meeting a Copy of this minute.

The No. Preparative Meeting informs that [illegible] is desirous of a Certificate to Providence Mo. Meeting [illegible] to proceed in Marriage with [illegible] a member of that Meeting therefore we appoint Wm Rotch Jr & Abraham Smith to take the necessary inspection & if clear prepare a Certificate & lay before our next mo meeting.

The Committee to confer with the Committee from Sandwich Mo Meeting inform they are not prepared to make report at this time they are therefore continued to report to our next mo meeting.

We appoint Joseph Tucker, Benja Taber, & [illegible] to attend our next Quartly Meeting with an account to said meeting which being prepared was signed by the Clerk & [illegible] and are to report to next Mo meeting.

4 mo 1791 At our Mo Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 4th mo 1791.

The Accts being presented from the Preparative Meetings the Representatives therein named are from the So. Peleg Gifford & George Smith, from the North Joseph Russell & William Tripp, who were all present except William Tripp & George Smith, the first of whom this meeting is informed was so much unwell he could not attend, but no account from George Smith.

The Friends appointed in the Case of [illegible] inform that they are not ready to make a Conclusive report they are continued to that service & to report to next Mo. Meeting.

The Friends appointed to read the Testimony of the Denial of Peleg Slocum 3d & Gilbert Howland's ac- knowledgment report that they have been read as directed. Said Testimony is as follows,

Whereas Peleg Slocum 3d having had a birthright among Friends and under the care of this meeting but by disregarding the Testimony of Truth & giving way to the Temptations of the Enemy hath neglected the due attendance of our Religious meetings & used Profane Language & Swearing, also accompanied with a Woman that was not his Wife in a manner that has brought Reproach upon our Profession, all which being Inconsistent with our Religious Profession, & Friends having laboured with him in order to show him the evil tendency thereof but our labour not obtaining the desired effect to our satisfaction, therefore for the clearing of Truth & Friends from the Reproach thereof we are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against such Conduct hereby disowning him the said Peleg Slocum from membership with us until he by a more circum-

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[illegible] walking [illegible] agreeable to the [illegible] of Truth which is our desire.

Signed in & on behalf of our Mo. Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st day of the [illegible] Mo, 91,

by [illegible] Clerk pro tem.

The Friends appointed on Humphrey [illegible] acknowledgment report that they have attended thereto, and that they had so much satisfaction that they think it may be well to accept of said acknowledgment for satisfaction, which is accordingly accepted by this Meeting & Abiel Gifford is appointed to read the same in the usual public manner at [illegible] & report to next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends in the case of Humphrey Shearman report that they have had an opportunity with him, but are not ready to make a conclusive report, they are therefore continued in that service & to report to next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of Peleg Sanford Junr report, that they have not had an opportunity with him [illegible] being at home, they are continued in the care of that matter & report to next Mo. Meeting.

One of the Friends appointed to visit Benja Allen 2ds family on his request, reports that they have not compleated that service, they are continued to do it by next Mo. meeting & to report to the same.

Children of [illegible] Chase recd.

The Friends appointed on Ebenezer & Mary Chase's request, report they have considered thereof, and had an opportunity in their family, & a good degree of satisfaction & think their request may be granted, which being considered and the Womens meeting concurring, these Children, who were [illegible] in the [illegible] of last Mo. meeting are received as members of this Meeting accordingly.

The Friends appointed to the care of certificates for Benja [illegible] Children report that they have taken that care, produced said certificates which were signed by the Clerk. And are as follows,

From our Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth 18th of 4th Mo 1791.

To the Mo. meeting of Friends of the Creek in [illegible] Partners.

Jos. [illegible]

Esteemed Friends. These may inform you that Joseph [illegible] having removed to live within the verge of your Meeting as an apprentice with Elakim Mosher, a certificate being desired on his behalf, these may certify that he is a member of our meeting & we recommend him to your Christian care.

Signed in & on behalf of our said Meeting
by Caleb Russell Clerk

From our Monthly meeting of Friends the 18th of 4th Mo 1791.

To the Monthly meeting of Friends at the great [illegible] Partners,

Esteemed Friends, These are to inform you that Thomas

4 mo 1791 Thos Rider [illegible]

Rider a youth hath gone to live within the Verge of your Meeting with Jonathan Gleason as an apprentice.

These may certify that he is a member of our Meeting & we recommend him to your christian care.

Signed in and on behalf of this meeting
by Caleb Greene Clerk.

The Friends appointed on [illegible] Certificate report that they have taken the necessary care therein and [illegible] signifying his being a member & clearness to proceed in Marriage [illegible] sign the same in behalf of this meeting.

Grievance of Sandwich Mo Meeting [illegible]

The Committee [illegible] from Sandwich Mo Meeting Report as follows.

According to our appointment [illegible] with the Committee from Sandwich [illegible] in their meeting in consequence of our having taken Cognizance of [illegible] which they suppose is out of our Jurisdiction. And believing that our [illegible] can not easily reconcile their Dissatisfaction, it is the united sense of this Committee [illegible] agreed upon by Committees of each meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
N. Bedford 4th Month 16th 1791. by Benja Taber

[illegible]

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, Report that they attended said meeting with the Account from this Meeting.

The Committee appointed to receive the collection for this Mo meeting [illegible]

Thomas Russell hath placed out his Son Daniel an Apprentice to one (not a member among Friends) at [illegible] in the Compass of another Mo meeting [illegible] to next Mo meeting.

Zadock Mayhew Junr desires a Certificate to the Mo meeting of Acoaxet signifying his Clearness to proceed in Marriage with [illegible] meeting [illegible] necessary care therein & report to next Mo meeting.

This meeting having received a request from our Meeting for Sufferings that Friends will subscribe for the History of Friends written by Jno Gough; and also further the Subscriptions for the Bible now printing by Isaac Collins, and inform that the Books called Piety Promoted are ready to be [illegible]; the

4 mo 1791 Friends heretofore appointed to receive Subscriptions for the two last quarters to take the necessary care & send them forward to the meeting for Sufferings [illegible] & Joseph Austin, Wm Gifford, Abraham Wood & Wm Anthony are appointed to receive Subscriptions for the ensuing quarter & [illegible] & report to next mo meeting.

5 mo 1791 At our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth 16th of the 5th Month 1791.—

By the Acct from the preparative meetings the representatives appointed are Philip Gifford, Timo Howland, Jr, Thos Hathaway & Wm Smith who being called were all present.

George Smith inform'd this Meeting of the cause of his absence from last mo meeting which was accepted.

The Friends appointed in the Case of [illegible], report that they have attended to their appointment and think it may be best that it should be continued another Month, it is accordingly defered till next mo meeting, under the same friends care who are then to report.

The Friends appointed inform that [illegible] has been [illegible] as directed.

The Friends in the case of Benjamin Shearman report that one of them hath had an opportunity with him on that Acct & desire the Matter continued which is accordingly continued under their care till next mo meeting they then to report.

The Friends in the Case of Peleg Sanford Jur report that they have endeavoured to attend to their appointment, but that he was a considerable distance from home, the case is continued till next mo meeting under the same friends care.

Benja Allen his children recd The Friends appointed to visit Benja Allen 2d & family, report that they have attended thereto & had a solid opportunity in the family & think there is a prospect of a religious Education of the children, which meeting the approbation of this Meeting & that of the Womens concurring, the children who are named in the minute of the 3d mo last are received as members of this Meeting.

Gideon Anthony, John Barker, Josiah Wood, Seth Russell Jur & Caleb Potter, are appointed to collect money for the meeting's Stock in the manner we have lately practised, paying it to the Treasurer & report the sum so collected at the expiration of each of the next succeeding Quarters.

The Friends appointed in the case of Thomas Russell & Abiel Gifford placing out their Sons have made some progress therein but not being completed to the satisfaction of this meeting, they with John Howland are continued to the further care and accomplishment of those Matters & report to next mo meeting.

Abraham Smith denied George Smith informs he has acquainted Abm Smith son of Saml of his denial.

The No. Prepara meeting requests that our mo meeting may be held part of the time in future at Bedford. Joseph Barker, James Davis, [illegible] Estes, Benja Smith

5 mo 1791. Timothy Gifford, Benj^n Taber, Jonathan Hart & Thomas Hicks are appointed to unite with those the Women may appoint, consider of said Request & report their sense thereon to next mo meeting.

The Friends appointed report a Certificate for [illegible] directed to the mo meeting of [illegible] signifying his right of membership & clearness to proceed in Marriage with Susanna [illegible] a member of that meeting which was read & signed by the Clerk.

Two of the committee appointed some time ago to labour with Thomas Akin to inspect the sincerity of his acknowledgement. Report that they have taken several solid opportunitys with him, that he seldom attends our religious meetings & that he appears [illegible] repugnancy [illegible] of Spiritual [illegible], which case is referred to next mo meeting.

The Committee to receive Subscriptions for the [illegible] of Friends in that service is referred to a future mo meeting.

There being six setts of the Books called Piety Promoted remaining in this meeting [illegible] is directed to sell three setts of them & return the money to our Treasurer & report the amount to this meeting.

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At our Mo meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 20th of 6th Month 1791.

The Representatives [illegible] Meeting [illegible] present, [illegible]; Joseph Tucker, [illegible], Benj^n Taber & Thomas Hicks, all present.

The friends appointed in the case of [illegible] Dickerson inform they are not ready to make report altho some care has been taken therein, whereupon it is referred under their care to next mo meeting.

Humphry Sherman having presented a paper condemning his misconduct in having attended as a spectator at a Horse race, [illegible] & John Howland & [illegible] Sanford are appointed to inspect the sincerity thereof & report to next mo meeting.

Thos Rotch and wife rec'd by Certif

A removal Certificate from Nantucket mo meeting dated 25th 4 mo last in behalf of Thomas Rotch & Charity his Wife was presented read & accepted.

also Children of Obadiah Allen and of Chilion Wood

Also removal certificates from Saratoga mo meeting of 12th of 4th month last in behalf of the children of Obadiah Allen, Humphry, Thomas, James, Prince & [illegible], & the children of Chilion Wood, Harvey, Charles, Ruth, Chilion, Elizabeth & Eliona, which were read & accepted.

The Friends in the case of Peleg Sanford inform they have not known of his return from sea wherefore they are continued in care of that matter to report to next Mo. meeting.

[illegible] of [illegible]

Our beloved Friend Sarah Lundy on her way to Nova Scotia attended this meeting with a Certificate from Kingwood mo meeting for Shrewsbury & Rahway Quarterly meetings of 10th month last, expressing their unity with her as a

6 mo 1, 91 ministry, with her present concern. Also her Companion Eliza Martin attended & presented a minute of Concurrence of Rahway & Plainfield mo meeting of 6th mo last also expressing their unity with her as an Elder.

Visit of E Martin & Wm Shotwell Likewise our friend Wm Shotwell attended with a Certificate from Rahway & Plainfield mo meeting expressing their unity with him as an Elder, & with his accompanying our friend Sarah Lundy & Companion, all which were read to acceptance & their company satisfactory to us.

The Committee appointed to have the care of the meeting in Allens neck report that all the meetings were kept up & attended by the greater part of friends in some degree orderly, which was accepted.

The Comtee upon the request of the North Preparative meeting report they have attended thereto & request further time for deliberation, they are continued & desired to report to next mo meeting.

Thos Akin denied The matter reported last month respecting Thos Akin, coming again under deliberation with the concurrence of the Womens meeting we being united therein do no longer continue him a member of our Society until he may be favoured to return & make friends Satisfaction & Caleb Greene & Wm Rotch Junr are appointed to inform him hereof & prepare a Testimony of his Denial & lay before our next mo meeting.

A Letter was recd from Saratoga mo meeting of 4th mo last informing that they have received a complaint against [illegible] who lately removed within the verge of this meeting for having been guilty of using prophane Language & requesting our labouring with him therefore on their behalf. Whereupon we appoint Jonathan Wilbur & Benjn Chase to labour with him on that account & endeavour to convince him of the Inconsistency of his conduct & report to our next mo meeting.

The Committee in case of Thomas Russell & Abiel Giffords placing out their Sons report they have attended to their appointment & have wrote to Saratoga Mo Meeting requesting their advice as to the suitableness of the place for Thos Russells Son to remain at - they are also requested to apply to [illegible] mo meeting to request their advice upon the suitableness of the place to which Abiel Giffords Son is placed & make report to this meeting.

Sarah Rowland denied This Meeting concurring with the Womens meeting in denying unity with Sarah Rowland daughter of Joseph.

The Overseers inform through the So Preparative meeting that they have laboured with [illegible] Gifford to convince him of the Inconsistency of his late conduct in having attended a place where was musick & dancing & joined therein himself & also for his having been concerned in a Lottery, but was not disposed to make friends Satisfaction, whereupon we appoint Nathan Wood & Jona Wilbour to labour further with him

6 mo & report to our next monthly meeting.
1791 A paper was presented thro the So prepar Meeting signed Stephen Sisson acknowledging his misconduct in various instances [illegible] desiring to pass them by, whereupon we appoint Joshua Potter and John Devol to labour with him to endeavour to find the sincerity thereof & report to next Mo meeting.

The Comee appted to confer with the Comee from Sandwich mo meeting & likewise to refer the matter of their Dissatisfaction to indifferent Persons inform they proceeded according to appointment & produced an award from the friends mutually agreed upon which was read & is accepted by us.

The Queries were read & Answers compiled from those of the two Prepara meetings which being approved are directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting also an acct to said meeting which being prepared was signed by the Clerk; we appoint Benja Taber Wm Anthony & Zephaniah Eddy to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting.

7 mo
1791 At our Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 18th of 7 month 1791.

The accounts of the Preparative meetings being produced, the Representatives thereof called are from the South William Barker Junr & Luthur Wood, North, John Devol & Thomas Hazard Junr all present.

The committee in the case of Clark Rickitson report they have had several Opportunities with him & find that he [illegible] into the [illegible] from the simplicity of our profession many things which they have endeavoured to shew him the Inconsistancy of, but he did not appear in a situation to make friends Satisfaction. Wherefore with the concurrence of the Womens meeting we deny unity with him & can no longer esteem him a member of our Society untill he shall be favoured to return to the satisfaction of this meeting; and the same committee are appointed to inform him hereof & prepare a Testimony of his denial & lay it before next monthly meeting.

Clark Rickitson

The Committee in the case of Humphry Shearman report they have laboured with him in consequence of his acknowledgement & think it may be best that it be accepted, but his acknowledgement is not present it is refered untill next monthly meeting.

[illegible] appointed in addition to the Committee [illegible] appointed to visit Obadiah & Eliphel Butler to inspect the Sincerity of their acknowledgements.

The committee on the request from the North preparative meeting report that after solidly considering the matter they think it best to [illegible] which having been deliberated upon in this meeting we refer it to next Monthly meeting.

The friends appointed [illegible] Thomas [illegible] report that he hath been [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible], 91

produced a Testimony of the same, which being approved was sign-ed by the Clerk, & Caleb Greene is appointed to read it in the usual public manner at Meeting, said Testimony is as follows.

From our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 18th of 7th mo 1791.

Thomas Allen of Dartmouth having been a member of our Religious Society but for want of a due attention to the divinely preserving Principle placed in the Heart of man; he hath given way to the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] so far as to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and neglected the due attendance of our Religious meetings, whereby he hath brought a great uneasiness & reproach upon our profession; and friends having laboured much with him from time to time to convince & bring him to a sight & sense of his dangerous Situation; but without the desired effect of Reformation.

We are therefore concerned for the clearing of our Christian Testimony against such evil Practices, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] him & do hereby [illegible] that he [illegible] no longer a member of our Society until he shall be favoured to experience [illegible] [illegible] to make Satisfaction to this Meeting which is our sincere desire.

Signed by order & in behalf of said Meeting,
Caleb Greene Clerk.

The friends appointed to visit Peleg [illegible] report that one of them only has had an opportunity with him [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] they have not been able to complete the service of their appointment, they are still continued in care of that matter & George Smith is added to them.

The committee in the Case of Obediah Allen report they have had an opportunity with him, but not having accomplished their service are continued to report to next Monthly Meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] This meeting concurs with the Womens meeting in denying unity with [illegible] Barney wife of [illegible] Barney [illegible].

Jn. Gifford [illegible] Edward Wood & Jonathan Walker inform they have had an opportunity with John Gifford in consequence of their appointment, & that he did not discover any mind to make satisfaction for his misconduct: wherefore it is our judgment with the concurrence of the Womens meeting, that he be disowned & no longer continued a member of our Society until he shall be favoured with a sense of his misconduct & return to our Satisfaction & the same friends are appointed to inform him thereof & prepare a Testimony of his denial & return to next mo meeting.

The friends in the Case of Thomas Russell & John Gifford not having accomplished the service of their appointment are continued to report to next mo meeting.

The committee in the case of Stephen Sisson having had an opportunity with him to some Satisfaction,

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they are continued to visit him again & report to our next monthly meeting.

The Representatives report they all attended the Quarterly meeting.

A paper signed Joseph Keart was presented through the No preparative meeting expressing his sorrow for having [illegible] a place of Military Exercise whereupon we appoint [illegible] Potter, Joseph Barker & Thomas Hazard Jun^r to labour with him to endeavour to find the sincerity thereof & report to a future monthly Meeting.

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At a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 8th Month 1791.

The Account from the North preparative Meeting [illegible]

The Committee in the case of Clark Rickitson report that they have taken an opportunity with him & informed him of his Denial & produced a Testimony thereof which was read, approved & signed by the Clerk & is as follows, —

From our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 8th month 1791.

Clark Rickitson son of John Rickitson Jun^r having had his education amongst Friends and under the care of this meeting, but through unwatchfulness hath so far departed from the truth & good order of Friends, as to resort to places where was musick & dancing, and joining therein & also departed from that simplicity in his dress which we profess & Friends having Laboured in love to convince him of the evil thereof, but our labour not having the desired effect, therefore for the clearing of Truth we give this as a testimony against such conduct, hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society & from under the care of this meeting, yet that he may be favoured to come to a sense of his outgoings and return to the way of truth is our desire.

Signed in and on behalf of our said meeting
by Caleb Greene Clerk.

Thomas Hicks is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner at Aponeganset & report to next monthly meeting.

Humphrey Sherman's Acknowledgment being presented was read & with some solidity accepted, & Thomas Hicks is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner at Aponeganset.

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of the Denial of Thomas Akin was read as directed.

The Committee in the case of Obadiah & Stephen Potter report that they have taken an opportunity with them, but are not ready to make a conclusive report, & desire it deferred another month it is accordingly continued till next monthly meeting they then to report.

The Epistle from our last Quarterly meeting together with the Epistles from said Meetings [illegible]

8 mo 1791. was read; And the Salutary & Weighty advices therein communicated, meets the solid attention of this Meeting which we desire may continue with us.

Caleb Greene & Abraham Smith are appointed to insert in all the Books of Discipline belonging to this meeting, under the head marriage the matter comprized in the Extracts from Yearly meeting's minutes as Discipline & report to this meeting when accomplished.

William Rotch Junr & William Anthony are appointed to read the aforesaid Epistle from our last Yearly meeting in each of the Preparative meetings belonging to this meeting.

The Matter referred from our last Meeting respecting the request from the [illegible] preparative Meeting being brought again under Consideration, after solid deliberation, it is dismissed.

The Friends appointed in Obadiah Allens Case that they have had had a solid Opportunity with him to some Satisfaction, yet they are continued with Benjamin Allen 2d & William Anthony take a solid opportunity with, inspect his conduct for further proof of his sincerity & report to next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to inform John Gifford of his Denial report that they informed him accordingly to appointment & produced a Testimony thereof which was read &, signed by the Clerk & is as follows,

John Gifford having had a Right of membership with Friends but has so far departed from the principles we profess, as to join a Company where was musick & Dancing & was concerned in a Lottery & friends having Laboured with him in Love in order to convince him of the Inconsistency of such conduct but our Labour in Love not having the desired effect to our Satisfaction, therefore we give this forth as a Testimony against such conduct, hereby publickly disowning him the said John Gifford from being a member of our Society untill he shall manifest a return to the way of truth which is our desire.

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 8th Month 1791.

Signed in and by order of said meeting
Caleb Greene Clerk.

and William Anthony is appointed read it in the usual publick manner at Aponeganset.

The Committee in the Case of Abiel Giffords placing out his Son report that they have attended Acoaxet Monthly meeting & conferred with them on the suitableness of the place & they with a Committee from said meeting were united in Judgment that the place was suitable for the Son to remain at, which is to the Satisfaction of this meeting.

Abiel Gifford gave in a Paper acknowledging his misconduct in so far proceeding in placing out his Son to one not a member without the Meeting's advice, & it appearing that he is sincere in condemning it, his paper is received for Satisfaction.

The Friends in the case of Stephen Sisson

8 mo 1791 having again visited are of opinion that it had best be continued, they are continued therein under their care to our next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends in the Case of Joseph Russell Report they have not had an opportunity with him but think it necessary to visit him agin, wherefore they are continued to that service to report to next Monthly Meeting.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward & [illegible] Quarterly Meetings Treasurer £4"14/2 our proportion of the Quarterly Meeting stock & report to this Meeting.

Through the No Preparative meeting was received a paper subscribed Samuel Potter expressing his sorrow for having attended a place of Musick & Dancing & a Marriage out of our order, and requesting Friends to pass by his Offence, whereupon we appoint Wm Tripp, Joseph Barker & Jonathan Hart to visit him & endeavour to find his sincerity therein & report at our next Monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed in 12 mo last in case of Perry Smith reported they have visited him & think the state of his mind is such that he will not be likely to condemned his misconduct to friends Satisfaction, the further consideration whereof is referred to next Monthly Meeting.

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At our Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth 19th of 9th Month 1791.

The Representatives from the Preparative meetings [illegible] were from the South, Joseph Tucker & Josep Estes from the North Abraham Smith & Jonathan Hart all Present.

Thomas Hicks informs that the Testimony of Caleb Russell's denial & Benjamin Shearman's Acknowledgement have been read as directed.

The Committee in the case of [illegible] & Eliphel Butler's Acknowledgement report they have had several solid opportunities with to some Satisfaction & think considering all the circumstances their Acknowledgement may be received, after deliberate consideration & with the concurrence of the Womens meeting we receive it for Satisfaction & Caleb Greene is appointed to read it in the usual public manner at Bedford.

The Committee in the Case of Obadiah Allen report that they have had a solid opportunity with him & received so much Satisfaction that they think he is sincere in his acknowledgement wherefore it is our Judgment it may be safe to be accepted for Satisfaction & the Clerk is directed to forward said Acknowledgement with a copy of this Minute to Saratoga Monthly Meeting in Answer to their Letter.

William Anthony informs that the Testimony of denial John Pope was read as directed.

The Committee in the Case of Stephen Sisson report that they are not yet ready to make a conclusion [illegible] wherefore the same Friends are continued in the care of that

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matter, & report to next Monthly Meeting.

The Committee in case of Joseph [illegible] acknowledgment report they have had a solid opportunity with him respecting the matter he was charged with & likewise some other deviations which came to their knowledge, such as running & attending places of diversion, and did not find him in a state of mind to condemn those transgressions, wherefore with the concurrence of the Womens meeting it is our judgment that he be disowned & no longer esteemed a member of our Society, until he shall be favoured to see the evil of his misconduct & condemn the same to our satisfaction; & the same Friends are appointed to inform him thereof & prepare a testimony of his denial & lay before next Monthly meeting.

Joseph [illegible] Denied

A Certificate granted by this meeting 8th mo 1788 in favour of Hannah [illegible] & children directed to Saratoga Mo meeting was returned to this meeting with an endorsment from said meeting 9mo 1790 informing that she from the difficulty of her circumstances she was about to go & reside with her friends at Swansey & we being informed that one of her children now resides there, William Bufford & Jonathan Hart are appointed with a committee from the Womens meeting to prepare a certificate to accompany that returned from Saratoga to Swansey Mo meeting & lay before our next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to visit Samuel Potter informs they have had a solid opportunity with him but think to have it continued & is accordingly under the same Friends care they to report to next Monthly Meeting.

The Consideration of the matter respecting Perry Smith referred from last Mo meeting coming before us, with the concurrence of the womens meeting, we deny unity with & can no longer own him a member of our Society until he shall be favoured to make friends satisfaction & [illegible] & John [illegible] are appointed to inform him thereof & prepare a testimony of his denial & lay before our next Monthly meeting.

Perry Smith Denied

The Treasurer informs he has forward our Mo [illegible] of the yearly meeting stock to their Treasurer.

The Queries were read with Answers from the preparative meetings which being considered [illegible] with an account from this meeting is directed to the Quarterly meeting. William Anthony, Thomas Hicks, John [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] & Thomas [illegible] are appointed our representatives to the next Quarterly Meeting with our account they to report to next Monthly Meeting.

The overseers inform through the [illegible] Preparative meeting that Christopher [illegible] Junr [illegible] neglected the due attendance of our religious meetings & used [illegible] Language at times & has fallen into the Sin of Fornication which appears by his Wife having a Child so soon after Marriage for all which having been laboured with but he did not discover a disposition to make satisfaction, wherefore in conformity to the direction of our last Yearly meeting & with the concurrence of the Womens

9 mo 1791 — meeting we deny unity with the said Christopher Slocum him & do no longer es-
teem him a member of our Society, untill he shall [illegible] to make
Satisfaction to this Meeting & Luthan Wood & Jonathan Wilbur are ap-
pointed to inform him & prepare a Testimony of his denial & lay before
our next mo Meeting.

Christopher Slocum denied.

A paper was presented through the South
preparative meeting signed Jedediah Allen Condemning his having [illegible]
[illegible] &
marrying [illegible] Therefore after due consideration
his acknowledgement is accepted for Satisfaction & Thomas Hicks is
appointed to read it in the usual public manner at Aponyganset.

The North Preparative meeting having
made a Proposition to this Meeting for our application to the Quarterly
Meeting for a division of our Monthly meeting, which hav-
ing herein been solidly considered upon, the further consideration
thereof is referred to next Monthly meeting.

The South Preparative meeting in-
form that Benjamin [illegible] has been Guilty of the sin of Fornication
[illegible] the womens meeting having [illegible] the matter is referred
to next Monthly meeting.

Gideon Howland the 2nd requested
the [illegible] of this Meeting respecting [illegible] we ap-
point Joseph Austin, John [illegible] & [illegible] Tabor to confer
with him & give him such advice therein as they may think necessary &,
report to this meeting when ready.

Caleb Barker requesting to be dismissed
from the Office of Treasurer it is referred to next Monthly meeting.

This Meetings [illegible] [illegible] have
settled our accounts with the Treasurer & find a balance in our favour
the 7th of the present Month £13.2.1.

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At our Monthly meeting of Friends held
in Dartmouth 17th of 10th mo 1791.

The Accounts from the Preparative meet-
ings be presented, the Representatives thereby appearing are Abiel
Gifford & Wm Barker Junr from the South & from the North John Howland
& Edmund Maxfield all present.

[illegible] [illegible] informs that the paper
of acknowledgement of [illegible] & Stephen [illegible] has been read as
directed, & that he has forwarded the minute of our last monthly
meeting respecting Jedediah Allen with his acknowledgement as di-
rected.

The Committee in the case of Stephen
Sisson Report that since they had an opportunity with him
he has gone out in marriage contrary to our order. Therefore with
the concurrence of the Womens meeting we deny unity with him &
do no longer own him a member of our Society untill there be
[illegible] to the satisfaction of this meeting & the same
friends are appointed to inform him thereof & prepare a testimony
of his denial & lay before our next Monthly Meeting.

Stephen Sisson denied

10 mo 1791 The Committee appointed for that service report that Joseph Russell has been informed of his denial & produced a Testimony thereof which being approved was signed by the clerk and William Anthony is appointed to read it in the usual public manner at Newtown, and report to next mo. meeting.

Amy Greene rec'd by Cert. A removal Certificate from Providence Monthly Meeting dated 24th of 8th Month in favour of Amy Greene wife of [illegible] was read & accepted.

Hannah Bowdish's Children rec'd A Certificate in behalf of Hannah Bowdish & her Children namely Nathaniel, Joseph & Ruth was produced by the committee appointed, read, approved & signed by the clerk.

The Committee in the Case of Samuel Potter inform that they are not prepared to make a conclusive report & think it best to defer it, it is referred under their care to our next Monthly Meeting they then to report.

Benj^a [illegible] Disowned The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with him &, can no longer continue him a member of our Society until he shall be favoured to return to the satisfaction of this meeting & Jonathan Potter & Caleb Russell are appointed to inform him of his denial & prepare a Testimony thereof & lay before our next mo meeting.

The Committee not having informed Perry Smith of his Denial they are continued to that service & to prepare a Testimony thereof & lay before our next Mo meeting.

By the report of the Representatives it appears they all attended the Quarterly meeting.

The Committee appointed report that Christopher Slocum Jun^r has been informed of his Denial & Testimony thereof having been produced was approved & signed by the clerk, William Anthony is appointed to read it in the usual public manner at Aponaganset. Said Testimony is as Follows,

Christopher Slocum Jun^r having had a Right of Membership with Friends hath so far deviated from the principles we profess as much to neglect the attendance of our Religious meetings used profane Language at times & has fallen into the sin of Fornication as appears by his Wife having a Child so soon after marriage, for all which Transgressions Friends having Laboured with him in love to convince him of the evil of such conduct without the desired effect, whereupon we are constrained to deny unity with him, for the clearing of our Testimony & can no longer own him a member of our Religious Society untill he shall be favoured to return & make satisfaction to this meeting, which, that he may, is our desire.

Signed by order & on behalf of Dartmouth Monthly meeting the 17th of 10th Month 1791 — Caleb Greene Clerk.

Thomas Hicks not having read the Acknowledgement of Jedediah Allen is continued to that service.

The Consideration of the proposed dividing our [illegible] meeting coming again before us, the further

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Consideration thereof is referred to our next Mo meeting.

By information through the So Preparative meeting to this meeting we are informed that Barnabas Shepherd requests a Certificate of his Clearness to proceed in Marriage with Mercy Magoon in the Mo meeting at Sandwich, whereupon we appoint Jonathan Weaver & Henry Hicks to inquire into his clearness respecting Marriage & if clear prepare a Certificate & lay before our next Mo meeting.

Latham Wood appd Treas.

The appointment of a Treasurer being referred to this meeting, we appoint Latham Wood to that Office & Caleb Barker is desired to deliver him the Books and Papers belonging to the Office & pay him the balance due to this meeting as appeared last month say £13"2"1 & our Auditors are requested to see to the proper transfering of them all from the former to the present Treasurer & report when so done.

Redcome Ruby [illegible]

This meeting is informed through the So Preparative meeting that Redcome Ruby has fallen into the sin of Fornication, whereupon we [illegible] under our care & can no longer own him a member of our Society unless he may be favoured to return to a sense of his outgoing & make Satisfaction to this meeting & Benjamin Allen 2d & Latham Wood are appointed to inform him thereof & prepare a Testimony of his Denial & lay before our next Mo meeting.

By information through the South Preparative meeting we are informed that [illegible] [illegible] his misconduct in attending a place where was musick dancing & [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] whereupon we appoint William Anthony & Philip Trafford to visit him & endeavour the sincerity of his acknowledgment & report to a future Mo meeting.

Through the South Preparative meeting was presented two papers one from Collins Smith expressing his sorrow for having attended a place where was musick & dancing & joining therein the other from Lemuel Barker condemning his misconduct in attending a Horse Race & both desiring friends to pass by their Offence; whereupon we appoint Abiel Gifford & Simeon Howland to visit them & endeavour to find the sincerity of their acknowledgments & report to a future Mo meeting.

The year for which the Overseers were appointed being expired the same are continued untill our next meeting & the appointment of others is referred to that Time.

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At our Monthly meeting of Friends held in [illegible] the [illegible] of 11th month 1791.

By the Accots presented from the Preparative meetings the Representatives named therein were from the South George Smith & Caleb Barker from the North Abraham Smith & John Devol, who being called were all present.

Overseers

William Rotch Junr, Jonathan Hart, [illegible] [illegible], Joseph Tucker, Benjamin Taber, Timothy Gifford, John Russell & William [illegible] are appointed Overseers for the year ensuing or till others may be appointed.

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The committee in case of [illegible] & [illegible] report they have had an opportunity with each of them to some Satisfaction, but deeming they may need more time for further Labour, they are continued in those Services & to report at next mo meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of Stephen Gibson report that they have informed him of his denial, & produced a Testimony thereof, which was read & with some amendment signed by the Clerk, & the Friends appointed to read the same in the usual public manner at Apponegansett & report to next mo meeting.

Said Testimony is as follows viz

Whereas Stephen Gibson having had his education among us the People called Quakers but [illegible] hath so far deviated therefrom as [illegible] & attended a place where was music & also danced [illegible], & hath thus walked out of the order Established among us for which he hath been laboured with, but he not giving Satisfaction, therefore we do hereby give this forth as a public Testimony against him denying him a right of Membership with us, desiring that he may come to a true sight [illegible] of his present state & by [illegible] repentance

From our Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Dartmouth 21st of 11th mo 1791.

Signed in & on behalf of said Meeting
Caleb Greene Clerk.

Wm Gifford informs that the Testimony of [illegible] hath been read.

The Committee in the case of Samuel [illegible] not yet being prepared to make a conclusive report, are continued in the care of that matter to report at our next mo meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of Benjamin Tilley report that he hath been informed of his denial & produced a Testimony which being approved was signed by the Clerk & [illegible] is appointed to read it in the usual public manner at Apponegansett & report to next mo meeting, which Testimony is as follows,

Whereas Benjamin Tilley having had a right of Membership among Friends & under the care of this Meeting but by not adhering to the [illegible] of Truth & giving way to the temptations of the Enemy hath fallen into the reproachful Sin of Fornication as appears by the declaration of [illegible] & he not clearing himself therefrom therefore for the clearing of Truth & Friends from the Reproach thereof this meeting is concerned to give forth this Testimony against such unwarrantable conduct hereby denying unity with him & can no longer own him a Member of our Religious Society until he shall be favoured to return & make Friends Satisfaction to this meeting which is our desire.

Signed in and on behalf of Dartmouth Monthly Meeting this 21st day of the 11th mo 1791

Caleb Greene Clerk.

[illegible] informs that Perry

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The Committee of Rich^d Ricks [illegible] that the Testimony of Chris^r Slocum Jun^r Denial & Acknowledgement of Jeth^r [illegible] has been read as directed.

The proposal for a Division of our [illegible] being again brought under consideration, after solid Deliberation was concluded to submit the matter to the advice of the Quarterly meeting.

A Certificate in Behalf of Barnabus Shep [illegible] mo meeting at Pembroke certifying his [illegible] was presented by the Friends appo^d, read, approved & signed by the Clerk.

The Friends appo^d in the case of Restcome [illegible] informed him of his Denial & produced a Testimony [illegible] which being approved was signed by the Clerk & Mo^s Hicks is app^d to read it [illegible] Publish [illegible] & report to next mo meeting.

Said Testimony is as follows,

Whereas Restcome [illegible] having [illegible] among Friends [illegible] through unfaithfulness to the Testimony of Truth in his own mind & giving way to the Insinuations of the [illegible] hath so far departed from his Profession & the Testimony we bear [illegible] we [illegible] do give this forth as a Public Testimony against the same, hereby disowning him the said Restcome [illegible] from being any longer a member of this meeting [illegible] that he may be restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth at our monthly meeting of Dartmouth 21st 11th Mo 1791 & signed on behalf thereof,

[illegible] Clerk.

The Friends in the case of [illegible] report they have had an opportunity with him to some degree of satisfaction but think the case had better be continued, it is accordingly continued under the same Friends care to report at next mo meeting.

The Friends appointed report that the matter which came from the last Quarterly meeting on Discipline is inserted in each of the four Books of Discipline belonging to this meeting.

This meeting is adjourned to the [illegible] at the close of the meeting for worship.

30th Day met according to adjournment.

Representatives all present.

The Auditors report that the Books & Papers together with the Balance of £13"2"1 have been all transferred from the last to the present Treasurer.

[illegible] Meetings since the ensuing Winter season, which being considered we appoint [illegible] Wm [illegible], [illegible], Jos. Barker & Wm [illegible] a Committee to visit the [illegible], consider further of said Request & report to next mo meeting.

The No Preparative meeting having Proposed that two meetings be held on each first Day at Bedford through out the year, after solid consideration, it is with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting concluded thereupon, said meeting to begin in the morning at the 10th hour & in the afternoon at the 3d hour, [illegible] the 11th [illegible] to begin at the 2d hour.

Reuben Swift and wife rec'd by certif.

A Removal Certificate from the mo. meeting of Sandwich dated 5th of 10th mo in behalf of Reuben Swift & Ruth his Wife being settled at Bedford was received read & accepted.

David Briggs denied.

The No Preparative Meeting in their account inform that David Briggs hath married out of the order of Friends after being precautioned by the Overseers, wherefore we deny unity with him & can no longer consider him a Member of our Society and Thomas Hicks is appointed to inform him hereof & report to next mo meeting.

The Overseers inform through the No Preparative Meeting that Abijah Shearman hath proceeded in Marriage with one not a Member of our Society & his absence from home prevented their treating with him before Marriage that they have since had an opportunity with him; but did not find him in a suitable disposition to make Friends Satisfaction for his Departure from our wholesome order, which Case is deferred till next mo meeting for further Consideration.

Benja Potter rec'd by certif.

A Certificate from Providence mo Meeting 26th of 10th mo in behalf of Benja Potter returned from Smithfield was read & accepted.

The Overseers inform through the No Preparative meeting that Timothy Smith hath attended a place of Military Exercise & also a Marriage, out of the order of our Society, also that John Potter has attended a Marriage out of the order of Friends for which they have been treated with, but they did not appear disposed to condemn their disorderly Conduct; Whereupon we appoint Wm Gifford John Devol & Joseph Barker to visit them & endeavour to convince them of the Inconsistancy of their conduct and report to our next mo meeting.

A Letter was received from Saratoga mo meeting for the 9th mo last, informing that they had by request of our Committee inspected the place where Daniel Russell son of Thomas is placed as an Apprentice, & do not think it a Suitable Place for him to remain at, also that our care towards him is much wanting; Whereupon we appoint Luthan Wood, Thos Hicks & Peleg Gifford to consider the case & report their judgment thereupon to next mo meeting

The Committee for Collection report they have collected & paid the Treasurer £5..18..3.

The Quarterly Meeting having concluded to establish a fund or Stock for its use have requested us to forward our proportion thereof £7..15. Whereupon we appoint Jos Austin, Simon Rowland, Wm Wood, Timo. Rowland & Benja Allen 2d to open Subscriptions for the said sum also for the Mo Meetings Stock for the Six succeeding Months, they to pay the Money to our Treasurer & report at the end of each three Months.

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The Queries were read with answers from the Preparative meetings & Womens meeting, compiled answers which were approved and forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting, which being approved [illegible]. We appoint [illegible], Thomas Mott & Wm Anthony to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting as Representatives.

Abraham Smith, Samuel Maxfield &, Joseph Austin are appointed to make provision of Hay for Friends Horses at the time of our next Quarterly meeting.

Our friend Abiel Gifford informs this Meeting that he has thoughts of going as far as Saratoga on business & to visit his Relations he being in Humour in Unity; this Meeting approves thereof & the clerk is requested to furnish him with a copy of this Minute.

Thos Hicks is appointed to join the committee in the case of Joseph Howland in the place of Abiel Gifford who is going from home.

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At our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 12th mo 1791.

By the Accounts presented from the Preparative Meetings the Representatives chosen & named were from the So Philip Gifford & Joseph Barker, No Thomas Hazard Jun & [illegible] Russell who were called & all present.

One of the friends appointed in the case of Collins Smith & Lemuel Barker reported that he had an Opportunity with Lemuel only, and as the other friend is gone from home the cases are defered till next mo meeting under the same friends Care together with John Howland, they to report to next Mo. meeting.

Two of the Comee in case of Samuel Potter not being present that case is continued under their care to report at next mo meeting.

Thomas Hicks & Wm Anthony report that the Testimonys of the denial of Stephen Gibson, Benjn Grinley & [illegible] have been read as directed.

The consideration of the Testimony of Perry Smiths Denial being refered to this meeting, it is concluded that under the circumstances of that matter there be no Testimony published.

The Comee in the Case of Ebenr Allen Jr desiring a continuance of that matter the same is continued under their Care to report at next mo meeting.

The Comee to visit Friends in Allens Neck report that they have had a solid opportunity with most of the Friends who requested the liberty of holding meetings and think it may be safe for their request to be granted; wherefore they have liberty to hold meetings on each first & fifth days except the fifth days of the week in which our Monthly & Preparative Meetings may be held [illegible] the one half the time at Elisha Giffords & the remaining time at such house or houses as the committee may think: and we appoint Joseph Tucker, Timothy Gifford, Joseph Barker, Thos Hicks & Philip Gifford & Joseph Estes to have

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the care of said meeting & to report when this service may be accomplished.

We are informed that all the Representatives attended the Quarterly Meeting.

An Extract from the Minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting was received & is as follows,

A concern being manifested in this meeting on account of the many deficiencies which [illegible] [illegible] recommended to the several Monthly Meetings to take this subject under weighty consideration & if way should open, that they appoint solid & exemplary Friends according to the Ability that Truth may afford to visit Friends in their several Families & endeavour to stir up our Members to more solid attention to the several branches of our Christian Testimony. — And the weighty consideration thereof is referred to our next Mo meeting.

Thos Wicks reports he has informed [illegible] of his denial according to appointment.

Abijah [illegible]

The consideration of the case of Abijah Shearman coming again before us with the Concurrence of the Womens meeting we deny unity with him & can no longer own him a member of our Society untill he shall be favoured to return to our Communion & Abraham Smith is appointed to inform him of his denial & report to next Mo meeting.

[illegible] of the committee in the case of [illegible] Smith & John Potter inform that they have had some opportunity with them [illegible] [illegible], they are accordingly continued in the same trust to report to next Mo meeting.

The Committee appointed last Mo meeting produced Letter for the Monthly meeting of Saratoga which being approved was signed by the Clerk & is as follows

From our Monthly meeting of Friends held in Easton the 17th of the [illegible] month 1791.

To the Monthly meeting of Friends held at Saratoga.

Dear Friends

We received your Letter dated 22d & 23d of the 9th Mo last & observe your kind care respecting Daniel Russell, and have considered that case and it is our Desire that you [illegible] further extend your brotherly care over him and Labour with him as you may see necessary on our behalf, and inform us of your care & Labour therein as soon as may be.

With Affectionate Regard we are your Friends & Brethren.

Signed on behalf of our Mon Meeting

by [illegible] Clerk.

The Preparative meeting informs that the Overseers have laboured with Samuel [illegible] on account of his laying a Wager upon a Horse Race but did not give them satisfaction; therefore we appoint Timo Rowland, Philip Stafford & Nathan [illegible] to labour further with him, to endeavour to convince him of the inconsistency of his conduct & report to next mo meeting.

[illegible] presented a paper of

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The Representatives named in the Accots [illegible] from the Preparative Meetings [illegible] Green & Josiah Wood, North, John Howland & John Devol who being called were all present.

The Representatives of last monthly agreeable to direction proposed the appointment of Caleb Green Clerk & Wm Rotch Junr Assistant, they are accordingly appointed to those services for the ensuing year or till another appointment.

And this meeting considering the labour that [illegible] upon the Clerk in keeping our Records in proper order, we appoint [illegible], Wm Gifford, [illegible] & Wm Rotch Junr to take this subject under consideration & report the Mode they may think the most advisable for this meeting to adopt at our next mo meeting.

The Subject recommended from our last Quarterly meeting being again brought under consideration & after deliberation thereon we appoint Benjn Taber, Joseph Tucker, James Davis, Jonathan Hart, Wm Anthony, John Howland, Caleb Green, Wm Rotch Junr & Thomas Hicks to visit the members of this meeting in their Families and to labour as Truth may open the way & as far as that may open & Ability afforded to stir up Friends to more close Attention to the several branches of our Christian Testimony, & to encourage & strengthen the labouring among us, in order that the Deficiencies which are prevailing may be removed.

The Friends in the Case of Ebenezer Allen Junr report that they have had another solid opportunity with him to some degree of satisfaction & find a willingness his acknowledgement should be accepted, but he not being present the Case is referred under the same Friends care to next mo meeting.

[illegible] reports he has wrote to Ahijah Shearman informing him of his Denial.

The Comm in the Case of Nicholas Smith & Seth Potter not having had an opportunity with them are continued to that service to report to next mo meeting, & Zephaniah Eddy is appointed to unite with them.

The Friends in the Case of Samuel Gifford report thro indisposition they have not had an opportunity

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with him, whereupon they are continued to the service of their ap-pointment & report to next mo meeting.

The Comee in the case of [illegible] Smith report that two of them have had an opportunity with him but think it best to have some again whereupon they are continued to that service & to report at next mo meeting.

Saml Potter
Denied

The Comee in the Case of Samuel Potter report they have had several opportunities with him & think the state of his mind is such that it is not safe for his acknowledgement to be accepted, therefore we being clearly with him can no longer own him a member of our Society untill he may be favoured to return to our satisfaction & the same Friends are appointed to inform him thereof & prepare a testimony of his denial & attend to next mo meeting.

Acknowledgements were received thro the So Preparative Meeting signed by Thos Rowland, Benjn Smith, Benjn Rowland Junior & Samuel Smith Junr condemning their misconduct for having attended Horse racing & desiring to pass by their offences whereupon we appoint Peleg Gifford, Joseph Estes, Benjamin Allen 2d, Wm Barker & Wm Rowland to visit them & endeavour to find the sincerity of their acknowledgement & report to next mo meeting.

The Overseers inform thro the So Preparative Meeting that they have laboured with Stephen Rowland on acct of his having attended at a Horserace & laid a wager thereon, also his being published in order for Marriage out of the order of Friends. Also that they have laboured with Thos Rowland son of Jonas on acct of his having attended a horserace & likewise laid a wager thereon but found no satisfaction from them, whereupon we appoint George Smith & Zephh Eddy to visit them & endeavour to convince them of the inconsistency of their misconduct & report thereon to next mo meeting.

The Overseers inform through the So Preparative Meeting that Philip Russell hath so far departed from the Good order established among us as to attend a place where was Musick & dancing also at a Horserace but did not appear in a State of mind to condemn his misconduct, whereupon we appoint Peleg Gifford & Wm Barker to labour further with him & endeavour to convince him of the inconsistency of his conduct therein & report to ~~the~~ the next mo meeting.

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At our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 20 of the 2d month 1792.

The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings were from the South Joseph Estes & Caleb Barker, No Seth Russell & John [illegible] are present except Wm Tucker who is absent thro indisposition of body.

The Comee in the case of Samuel Gifford report that they have had a solid opportunity with him to good satisfaction he having presented a paper condemning his misconduct for having laid a Wager upon a Horserace & desiring Friends to

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cuss by his Offence the further consideration thereof is refered to next mo. meeting.

The Comee in the Case of [illegible] report that they have [illegible] to some Satisfaction [illegible] his acknowledgement may be safely received, whereupon it it is accepted for Satisfaction & Wm Anthony is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner at Aponagansit & report to next mo meeting.

The Case of Ebenezer Allen 2d being called in this meeting & he being not present his paper is accepted for Satisfaction & Wm [illegible] is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner at Aponagansit & report to next mo meeting

Two of the Comee appointed last mo. report they have visited [illegible] & [illegible] & found so much Satisfaction that they think the mo meeting may receive their acknowledgments, whereupon [illegible] accepted for Satisfaction & Jonan Wilbur is appd to read them in the usual publick manner at Aponagansit & report to next mo meeting.

Two others of said Comee report they have had an opportunity with Wm Briggs but did not find much Satisfaction from the state of his mind & that he is now gone to sea therefore that matter is refered under their care they to report at a future mo meeting.

The Comee in the Case of [illegible] Smith report they have visited him & laboured in much love to shew the Inconsistency of his conduct both with respect to his former transgression & also in having since attended a Horserace, and that their Visit was attended with Satisfaction & he having handed a written paper condemning both transgressions but he not being now present his case is refered under the same Friends care they to visit him again if they think needful & report at next mo meeting.

The Comee in the Case of John [illegible] son of Benjn report they have had a suitable opportunity with him & to much Satisfaction, they think his acknowledgment may be received but he being not now present his case is refered under the same Friends care to bestow further labour if they think best & report to next mo meeting.

The Comee appointed last mo recommend the appointment of a Committee to have the Care & directions of having such Minutes & papers as are [illegible] this meeting's [illegible], whereupon we appoint [illegible], Wm Smith, Benjn Allen 2d [illegible] & Wm Rotch Jur, to have the care in collecting the necessary papers & to have such of them, together with such of our minutes, Certificates & other papers as they may think best recorded, at our expence they to report when done, or within one year from this time.

A Certificate from Saratoga mo meeting dated 17th last mo being received in behalf of Chilon Wood expressing his Clearness respecting Marriage engagements with him.

Chilon Wood and Lilis Gifford intention

Chilon Wood & Lilis Gifford appeared in this meeting & declared their intentions of Marriage with each other they having consent of Parents are refered to next mo meeting

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for Answer.

The Comm^ee in the Case of Samuel Potter not having informed him of his denial are continued to accomplish the service of their appointment & report to next mo meeting.

Stephen Howland & Thos Howland disowned.

The Committee in the Cases of Stephen Howland & Thos Howland inform they have laboured with them, but found no disposition to make Satisfaction & that Stephen has married out of the order of Friends, therefore its our Judgment that they be disowned & no longer considered Members of our Society unless they shall be favoured to return to friends Satisfaction & the same friends are appointed to prepare Testimonies of their denial inform them thereof and report to next mo meeting.

Seth Potter disowned

The Committee in the Cases of Thomas Smith & Seth Potter inform they have had an opportunity with Thomas Smith but desire Continuance of his case, its accordingly Continued under their care they to report next mo meeting, they likewise inform they have had an opportunity with Seth Potter and endeavoured to Convince him of the inconsistancy of his conduct and also for his being attending a place of Entertainment where was musick and dancing, but find he is not in any disposition to condemn his misconduct, therefore it is our Judgment that he be Disowned and no longer deemed a member of our Society unless he shall be favoured to return to our Satisfaction and the same friends are desired to inform him thereof and prepare a Testimony of his denial and lay befor next mo meeting.

Wm Barker informs that himself with another Friend has had an opportunity with Philip Russel and desires to have the case continued, therefore as Peleg Gifford has removed, Zephaniah Eddy is appointed in his place they to take another opportunity with Philip and report next mo meeting.

The South Preparative meeting Informs that Peleg Gifford Abiel Gifford and Wm Barker 2nd requests Removal Certificates to the monthly meeting of Saratoga, in behalf of themselves and families at Cambridg, within which Peleg Gifford has removed and the others about to remove, wherefore we appoint Joseph Tucker Gideon Howland Nathan Wood and Jonathan Tucker to make the Enquiry of those friends as respects their removals and if clear prepare certificates therefor and lay before next monthly meeting.

This meeting is informed through the South preparative meeting that William Smith hath attended a horse race and deviated from the plainness of our profession in his dress, for all which he has been laboured with, without the desired effect, therefore we appoint Nathan Wood and Philip Trafford to labour further with him and endeavour to convince him of the inconsistency of such practices and report to next mo meeting.

John Howland informs he has sold the [illegible] of [illegible] Almond left with him for that purpose and has paid the amount thereof to the Treasurer which was £1"14"0.

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At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in
Dartmouth the 19th of 3rd mo 1792

The accounts from the preparative meetings [illegible] Timothy Gifford [illegible]

The case of Samuel Gifford and Collins Smith coming again under Consideration and they being both present their [illegible] and William [illegible] is appointed to read them in the usual publick manner at [illegible]

To the monthly meeting to be held 20th of 2 mo 1792

Beloved friends whereas I some time past did inconsiderately lay a wager on a horse race which I am now sorry for and do Condemn [illegible] friends may pass by my offence and let me remain under your watchful care [illegible] your friend

Samuel Gifford.

To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth the Twentieth 2d Month A.D. 1792

[illegible] I some time past [illegible] a house where there was musick and dancing and likewise [illegible] and [illegible] of the like again Desiring friends to pass it by so far as to let me remain under their Care these from your well wishing friend

Dartmouth ye 15th ye 2 mo 1792. Colins Smith.

John Howland [illegible] being present his case is referred to or continued into next mo meeting under the same friends care.

The friends [illegible] In form that several papers of acknowledgment of Peleg Sanford [illegible] Howland Smith & Samuel Smith [illegible] have [illegible]

To the monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth.

Whereas some time past I inconsiderately kept too much unprofitable company & was several times where there was Musick & Dancing thereby brought a reproach upon truth and [illegible] for which I am sorry and do Condemn desiring friends would so far pass it by as to let me remain under their Care desiring that I may be preserved in futer in a more blameless conduct.

Dartmouth 3 mo 1791. Peleg Sanford

Elizabeth Shepherd [illegible]

This meeting unites with the Womens meeting in [illegible] unity with Elizabeth Shepherd &c.

The friends appointed to Inform [illegible] report that [illegible] which being approved was signed by the Clerk and William Gifford is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner at Newtown and report to next monthly meeting.

The Committee in the case of [illegible] Smith reports that they have labored with him [illegible]

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account of the Complaint against him also for his being in the practice of Retailing Spiritous Liquors but he did not appear in a disposition to make or condemn his outgoings, and after some deliberation the matter is referred to next monthly meeting under the care of [illegible] Rowland and Joseph [illegible] they then to report.

Chilion Wood [illegible]

Chilion Wood and Lilis Gifford appeared in this meeting and declared the Continuation of their intentions of marriage with each other & no objection appearing they are allowed to proceed, & Jonathan Tucker and Timothy Rowland are appointed to attend their Marriage to see that it be orderly Solemnized and report to next mo meeting.

Thos Allen
and Judith
Smith
[illegible]

Thomas Allen and Judith Smith appeared in this meeting and declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage whereupon are desired Timothy Russell and [illegible] to Inquire into his Clearness respecting marriage and report next mon meeting.

A Testimony of Seth Potter being presented by the friends appointed who have Informed him of his denial was read approved and Signed by the Clerk & Wm Gifford is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner at Newtown & is as followeth

Seth Potter having a right as a member of our Society hath by not attending to the light of the Spirit of truth placed in the heart of man so far deviated from the Testimony we profess as to allow an Entertainment where was musick & dancing & likewise a marriage held out of our order & we have laboured with him to convince him of the evil and inconsistency of such conduct but our labour of love not having the desired effect therefore we give this forth as a publick testimony disowning him the sd Seth Potter from being any longer a Member of our Society untill he shall be favoured with a sight of his outgoings & condemn the same to our satisfaction which is our desire.

Given forth at our mo meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 3d mo 1792 & signed in & by order of sd meeting

by Caleb Russell Clerk.

The Committee appointed report they have informed Stephen Rowland of his denial and produced a testimony of said denials of Stephen Rowland and Thomas Rowland which being approved was Signed by the Clerk and Thomas Hicks is appointed to read them in the Publick usual manner at aponegansett meeting to which the same Committee are requested to inform Thos Rowland of his denial.

The Committee in the case of Philip Russell report that they have taken an Opportunity with him and think his case had best be refered it is accordingly refer'd under the same friends care to next monthly meeting.

Pelig Gifford
and [illegible]

A Removal Certificate was presented by the friends appointed for that service in behalf of Pelig Gifford and Alice his wife directed to Saratoga mo meeting which being approved was Signed by the Clerk and the Same friends

[illegible] 92 [illegible]

The Committee in the Case of [illegible] Smith informs they have made some progress by a visit to him & think best the matter be referred, it is accordingly continued under their care to next mo meeting.

We are informed through the South Preparative meeting that John Barker Requests a Certificate for himself & [illegible] and lay before a future monthly meeting.

[illegible] Compiled therefrom.

[illegible] 1405 and our treasurer is directed to pay to the [illegible] treasurer our proportion of that Stock.

An account to accompany the Answers [illegible] which being approved was signed by ye [illegible] ensuing Quarterly meeting.

4mo 1792 At our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 16th the 4mo 1792.

[illegible] was given

The friends appointed report the accomplishment [illegible] ordered; also that the testimony of Denials of Samuel & Seth Potter and Stephen Howland have all been read also that Thos Howland was Informed of his Denial as ordered.

Whereas Samuel Potter hath had a Right of membership [illegible] also hath attended a horserace & a marriage held out of the order of friends [illegible] in order to convince him of the Evil tendency of such Conduct [illegible] as a publick testimony against all such Conduct & can no longer [illegible] our Desire.

Given forth by our mo Meeting held in Dartmouth

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the 19th of ye 3 mo 1792.

Signed in & on behalf of said meeting

by Caleb Green Clerk

Whereas Stephen Rowland hath a birthright among friends & under the care of this meeting but hath so far departed from the way of our Society as to marry out from among friends also attended a horse race & laid a wager on which being contrary to the principles we profess & friends having laboured with him in love to convince him of the inconsistency of his misconduct but our labour not obtaining its desired effect therefore for the clearing truth and friends from the reproach thereof we are concerned to give this forth as a publick testimony against such conduct hereby denying unity with the said Stephen Rowland untill he shall be favoured to see the evil tendency thereof & condemn his misconduct to friends satisfaction which is our desire

Given forth & signed in & on behalf of our mo meeting of friends in Dartmouth the 19th ye 3 mo 1792.

by Caleb Green Clerk.

Whereas Thos Rowland hath had a birthright among friends & under the care of this meeting but hath so far departed from the way of our Society as to attend a horserace & laid a wager which being contrary to the principles we profess & friends having laboured with him in love to convince him of the evil tendency of such misconduct but our labour not obtaining the desired effect therefore for the clearing truth & friends from the reproach thereof we are concerned to give this forth as a publick testimony against such conduct hereby denying unity with the said Thos Rowland untill he shall be favoured to see the evil thereof & condemn the same to friends satisfaction which is our desire

Given forth & signed in & on behalf of our mo meeting of friends held in Dart the 19 - 3 mo 1792.

Caleb Green Clerk.

This meeting is inform'd that John Rowland son of Benjamin is gone to sea wherefore his case is continued under the care of Thos Rowland and [illegible] being two of the former committee in that case.

The friends in the case of Richard Smith inform that they have had a solid opportunity with him, although their labours have not had the desired effect yet we think best the case be continued under the care of the same friends untill next mo meeting they to labour further therein as way may open.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Simon Wood report they attended accordingly and that it was orderly conducted and the certificate was delivered to the Clerk for recording.

The friends appointed to inspect the clearness of Thos Allen respecting marriage report they have discovered nothing to obstruct his proceeding in marriage.

Thomas Allen and Judith Tobey appeared in this meeting & declaird the continuation of their intentions of marriage desiring our answer the necessary care having been taken [illegible] 1793 [illegible] is appointed to attend their marriage to see that it be orderly solemnized and report next mo meeting.

Mercy Shepherd & Deborah Smith [illegible] Removal Certificates were presented, one from Pembrook mo meeting dated 7th the 3rd mo in behalf of Mercy Shepherd [illegible] and one from [illegible] mo meeting [illegible] in behalf of Deborah Smith [illegible] which were read & accepted.

[illegible] The Committee in the case [illegible] report [illegible] ing friends to pass by his Offence it was read & after Consideration accepted for Satisfaction and Joseph Estes is appointed to read it in the [illegible].

The Committee in the Case of William Smith report [illegible] to make friends satisfaction [illegible] continued under the care of the same friends [illegible] such labour as they may think best [illegible] Rowland is appointed to unite with them.

Cornelius [illegible] and family [illegible] A Removal Certificate from Saratoga mo meeting [illegible] of Daughter Sarah was read & accepted.

also Benja Gifford Also a Certificate from the Same monthly meeting 3rd of 2d mo in behalf of Benjn Gifford placed an apprentice to Reuben Swift which was also read and accepted.

Lillis Wood Chas & Chilion Wood. A Removal Certificate was presented from the Womens meeting in behalf of Lilis Wood wife of Chilion Wood directed to the monthly meeting at Saratoga which being approved was signed by the Clerk. Chilion Wood's two Children namely Charles and Chilion having Returned to live with their father a Certificate was presented on their behalf directed to Saratoga mo meeting, which being approved was Sign'd by the Clerk.

Abiel Gifford and family and [illegible] & family [illegible] Removal Certificates were presented by the friends appointed in behalf of Abiel Gifford his Wife Joanna and five children namely [illegible] and Joanna; also Wm [illegible] & his wife [illegible] and four Children namely [illegible] Mary & Anna &c which being approved were Sign'd by the Clerk.

This Meeting is informed that [illegible] intends to live in Providence wherefore we appoint [illegible] and Abraham Smith to Inspect the Case and if clear prepare a Certificate for him & Report next mo meeting.

Zadock [illegible] The North Preparative meeting informs that Zadock [illegible] has fallen into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication as appears by his Wife having a Child too soon after marriage whereupon we deny Unity with him & can no longer own him a member of our Society untill he shall be favored with a Sincere [illegible] his misconduct and make Satisfaction to this meeting and Abraham Smith & Joseph Austin are appointed to Inform

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The time having Expired of the [illegible] [illegible]

Joshua [illegible] Nathan Wood Peleg Slocum & Benja Allen to that service for the year Ensewing or untill another appointment.

An Endorsement was made upon the Certificate of [illegible] Wood Certifying that he hath conducted in a good [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] Denied [illegible] & abide [illegible] in consequence [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] make friends Satisfaction, Wherefore we Deny Unity with him and no longer Consider him a member of our Society untill he [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] are appointed to inform him thereof and prepare a Testimony of his Denial & report [illegible]

Leah Shearman Requests the Assistance of friends in the Settlement of her Affairs Abraham Smith and [illegible] are appointed to give her such advice and Assistance as may be necessary.

[illegible] are [illegible] [illegible] meeting.

George Harris a member of Providence [illegible] to lay his Intention of Marriage with Martha [illegible] this meeting Adjourns to the close of the meeting for Worship on 5th Day the third of next month at Bedford.

5th month 3rd met by Adjournment at Bedford.

George Harris Presented a Certificate from Providence Mo Meeting dated 23th last mo expressing his clearness to proceed in marriage with Martha [illegible] and that he hath Consent of parents thereto.

Geo Harris and Martha [illegible] [illegible] George Harris and Martha [illegible] appeared in this meeting and declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage; for their answer they are desired to next mo. meeting.

By Information from Swanzey mo meeting it appears that the original Certificate respecting [illegible] [illegible] and Children was omitted being sent to that meeting with [illegible] Certificate [illegible] [illegible] is forward them to Swanzey mo meeting with a Copy of this minute and report next mo meeting.

5 mo 1792 At our Monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 21st the 5th mo 1792.

The Representatives from the preparative meetings were from the South Joseph Tucker and Timothy Gifford from the north Wm Gifford and Asa Smith all present.

The friends appointed in the Case of

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Richard Smith inform that they have not had an opportunity with him since last mo meeting and he hath desired another mo is accordingly continued till next mo meeting under their care then to report.

The friends appointed report that they attended the marriage of Thos Allen and Judith Kirby and that it was orderly conducted and the Certificate Delivered to the Clerk for recording.

Gideon Howland having been under appointment with Abiel Gifford to inspect the sincerity of an acknowledgment received some time past by Lemuel Barker now Reports that they had a solid opportunity with him together and he has visited him alone in which visits a good Degree of Satisfaction has appeared whereupon said acknowledgment is accepted for Satisfaction and Joseph Estes is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner at [illegible] meeting as followeth,

Dartmouth 13th 5th mo 1792.

Whereas I have so far been off my guard and deviated from the good Rules of our Society as to go to a horserace some time ago which I am sorry for and do condemn desiring friends to pass by my offence & let me remain under your care & I hope to be preserved in future from your friend

Lemuel Barker.

Joseph Estes Informs that Philip [illegible] paper has been read as ordered and is as followeth.

To the Monthly meeting of friends to be held 19th ye 3 mo 1792.

Whereas I have inconsiderately resorted to an Entertainment where was musick and Dancing also attended a horserace at which misconduct I am sorry for and do condemn desiring friends to pass it by and continue me under their care hoping to be more careful in future from your friend

Philip [illegible]

Stephen Buffinton minister and sons received by certif.

A Removal Certificate from Acoaxet mo meeting dated 9th this mo was received recommending to our Christian care our friend Stephen Buffinton as an approved minister also [illegible] his two sons [illegible] and [illegible] with him which was read & accepted.

The friends appointed in the case of Job Lapham's Certificate not being ready to report are continued and to report next mo meeting.

John Barker and sons remove.

A Removal Certificate in favour of John Barker and his two sons Abraham & William directed to [illegible] mo meeting was prepared by the Committee approved & signed by the Clerk.

The friends appointed last mo meeting report they have informed [illegible] of his denial and produced a Testimony thereof which being approved was signed by the Clerk and William Gifford is appointed to read it in the publick usual manner at [illegible] at close of next mo meeting.

One of the Committee reports that Nathaniel Howland has been informed of his denial and they have prepared a testimony thereof which was approved and Wm Anthony is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner

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at Aponeganset & report next mo meeting.

Rebecca Chase disowned. This meeting Concurs with the womens meeting in disowning with Rebecca Chase Wife of Benjamin Chase for marrying out of the Unity of friends.

The Clerk informs the Certificate respecting Hannah Bowdish have been forwarded to Swanzey mo meeting as directed.

George Harris & Martha Greene appeared in this meeting declared the Continuation of their Intention of marriage and nothing appearing to obstruct they are allowed to proceed to take each other in marriage according to good order and Benjⁿ Taber and [illegible] are appointed to attend the marriage & see that it be orderly Solemnized and report next mo meeting.

The Committee in the Case of Thos Russell Requesting an addition as one of the friends having since the appointment [illegible] we appoint Philip Trafford and [illegible] to join them therein.

Sarah Buffinton and [illegible] The womens meeting informs they have Received & accepted a removal Certificate from Acoakset mo meeting in behalf of Sarah Buffinton wife of Stephen Buffinton & their Daughter Sarah with which this meeting Concurs.

[illegible] We unite with the Womens meeting in disowning with Patience [illegible] wife of Stephen [illegible].

The Committee who had the Care of the meetings in [illegible] report they attended them and that all the meetings were kept up and attended in a good degree orderly.

The Committee to receive Collections report they have received and paid to the Treasurer £4"3"4 the remainder of the Quarterly Stock.

George Smith 2d, Obediah Beard, George Sanford Sam^l Sifford Barnabas Taber & Jethro Russell are appointed to receive Subscriptions for the mo meeting Stock for following Six months and pay it to the Treasury and report the Sum received & so paid each Quarter agreable to our former appointment.

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At our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 18th the 6th mo 1792.

The Representatives from the Preparative meetings by the accounts presented are from the South Josiah Wood and Caleb Barker from the North John Howland & Thos Mott all present.

The Committee in the Case Nicholas Smith report that he Concludes to continue in the practice of retailing Liquor notwithstanding the Labour that has been bestowed upon on that account yet this meeting feeling a concern that our testimony may be Supported in a Uniform Manner the Case is referd to next mo meeting.

This meeting is informed that the acknowledgment of Simeon Barker and the testimonies of Denial of Zadock Maxfield Jr and [illegible] Howland have

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all been read according to Direction and are as followeth,—

From our monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth [illegible] ye 5 mo 1792.

Zadock Maxfield Jun having had a birthright among friends and under the Care of this meeting [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Sin of fornication as appears
by his Wives having a Child so soon after marriage therefore for the [illegible]
[illegible] of truth & friends [illegible]
forth as a publick Testimony against such misconduct hereby disown-
[illegible]
[illegible]
Satisfaction to this meeting which is our Desire.

Signed in & by Direction of sd meet
by Caleb Green Clerk

Whereas Nathaniel Howland having had a birthright among friends & under the Care of this meeting but by not ad[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
the Sin of fornication as appears by his Wives having a Child [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] tendency of such conduct [illegible] obtaining the [illegible]
Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for the Clearing truth & friends from the reproach thereof we are Concerned to give forth this as a Publick [illegible]mony against such unwarrantable Conduct hereby Denying Unity with the Said Nathaniel Howland until he Shall be favoured with a Sight of his misconduct and by a Circumspect walking and an amendment of life make friends Satisfaction and return to the way of truth which is our Desire.

Signed in & by Direction of our mo meeting of friends held in Dartmouth 21 ye 5mo 1792.

Caleb Green Clerk.

To the mo meeting of Dartmouth

[illegible]
was musick & Dancing & Joined therewith & also used prophane [illegible]
all which I am sorry for [illegible]
it by as to let me remain under their care hoping I shall be more carefull in futer from [illegible]

[illegible]

To the mo meeting to be held 16 ye 1mo 1792

[illegible]
[illegible] so far as [illegible]
[illegible]
watchfull for the futer [illegible]
main under their care this from your friend

Gershᵃ Howland Smith

To the monthly meeting of Dartmouth

These are to inform that I have so far deviated from the good order of friends as to attend a horserace as a Spectator

6 mo 1792 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Publick [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
Dartmouth 18th the 6th mo 1792, [illegible] [illegible]

Jos Upham removal [illegible] A removal certificate on behalf of Jos Upham, to Providence Monthly Meeting was presented by the friends appointed which being approv'd was sign'd by the Clerk.

Susannah Barker's Cert. A removal certificate on behalf of Susannah Barker wife of [illegible] Barker [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and Sign'd by the Clerk.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of George Harris report they attended accordingly and discovered nothing but that said marriage was consumated orderly and the certificate was delivered to the Clerk.

Rebecca Cart[illegible] disowned We concur with the womens meeting in disowning Rebecca [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for marrying a first Cousin and also out of the order of our Society.

Wm Smith disowned The Committee in the case of Wm Smith report they have taken a [illegible] opportunity with him & did not find him in a disposition to [illegible] to change his conduct and make friends satisfaction therefore it is our [illegible] that he be disowned and no longer continue a member of our Society untill he shall be favoured to return to friends satisfaction and the same friends are appointed to inform him hereof [illegible] a testimony of his denial and lay before next mo meeting.

The Queries were read with answers from each preparative meeting together with answers compiled therefrom which general answers being approv'd & Sign'd by the Clerk and forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Mott, Wm Anthony, John [illegible] and they to report next mo meeting.

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The accounts from the Preparative meetings being received the Representatives named are from the South [illegible] [illegible] and Timothy [illegible] North Abraham [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] all [illegible].

The case of Nicholass Smith being [illegible] [illegible] under consideration and a friend informing that it is Nicholass desire the matter should be [illegible] with longer and we being desirous that our testimony may be supported with clearness & uniformity do again continue it under the care of the Committee who are desired to visit him again and report next mo meeting.

The friends appointed to inform Wm Smith of his denial report he is gone to Sea & they have not informed him therefore they are continued in that care and report when accomplished, and they having produced

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a Testimony of his Denial which was approved & Sign'd by the Clerk & Wm [illegible]

[illegible]

We are Informed that the Representative [illegible] minutes thereof Requiring us to forward our proportion of the yearly [illegible] 8..3..8 [illegible]

Deb Smith's
Certif.

A Removal Certificate from Swanzey mo meeting the 5th [illegible] 3 mo last in behalf of [illegible] Smith [illegible] and accepted.

Martha
Evans
[illegible]

[illegible] ance mo meeting was read approved & Sign'd by the Clerk.

Luthan Wood inform'd he has [illegible]

The [illegible] on account of his attending a Horserace but did not appear in a [illegible] & Luthan Wood [illegible] of the Inconsistency of his misconduct and report to next mo meeting.

The North Preparative meeting inform a Certificate is requested to the mo meeting of Swanzey in behalf of Edward [illegible] the case and if clear to prepare one Certificate and lay before next mo meeting.

The [illegible] Inconsistency of his conduct and report to next mo meeting.

Visit of
Theophilus
[illegible]

Our friend Theophilus Shove having attended this meeting [illegible] to visit the meetings within our [illegible] company acceptable to us.

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At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 20th ye 8 mo 1792.

The Representatives from the [illegible] North [illegible] are present.

Wm [illegible] informs that the Testimony

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of Wm Smith Denial has been read as Directed & is as followeth, —

Whereas William Smith having had a right of membership with friends but has much Departed from that Simple plainness as taught both in Dress and Language and has been to a horserace and friends having Laboured with him in love in order to Convince him of the Inconsistancy of such conduct but our Labour of love not having the desired effect to friends Satisfaction therefore we give this forth as a Testimony against such conduct hereby Disowning him the said William Smith from being a member of our Society untill he Shall manifest a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] our desire.

Given forth and at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th ye 7 mo 1792.

Signd in & by Direction & on behalf of sd meeting

by [illegible] [illegible] Clerk

The friends appointed in the case of Nicholas Smith report that he Discovers a Disposition to [illegible] retailing Spiritous Liquors & Desires the matter may be Continued which also appearing necessary to the Committee the case is accordingly Continued under their care to next mo meeting.

E Slo[illegible]
removd.

A Certificate was presented in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] day was approvd & Signd by the Clerk.

John Russell
[illegible]

The committee in the case of John [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] not appear in a Suitable State of mind to condemn his misconduct and that he also informd them he expected to marry out of the order of friends Wherefore it is our judgment that he be Disownd & no longer considerd a member of our Society untill he Shall be favourd to see the Inconsistancy of his misconduct and make friends Satisfaction and the Same friends are appointed to inform him thereof and prepare a Testimony of his Denial and lay before next mo meeting.

The Select meeting having through the South Preparative meeting informd that they had Solidly Considerd the Publick appearance of Deborah Hicks & Unanimously proposd for our deliberation her being Recommended as an approved minister the Subject having been weightily before this meeting it is thought best to refer it for further consideration to next mo meeting.

The Select meeting having through the South Preparative meeting informd that they had Solidly Considerd of the Publick appearance of Martha Chase and Unanimously proposd for the consideration of this meeting her being Recommended as an approved minister the Subject having been weightily before us it is thought best to refer it for further consideration to next mo meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Requests through the Preparative meeting that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and Daniel may be admitted as members of our

8 mo 1792 [illegible] Cady [illegible] [illegible] are appointed to [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] next mo meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] purchasing goods taken in war [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] tant with our profession & report to next mo meeting.

Part of the committee to receive Quarterly Subscriptions report they have received and paid to the [illegible] £ s. d. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] his report is referred to next mo meeting.

The Committee in the case of Thos Russell report that they have received satisfactory information that Thos Son is considered a member of Saratoga mo meeting and that having often treated with him they think it safe that his acknowledgment be accepted for satisfaction it is accordingly accepted.

9 mo 1792 At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of ye 9th mo 1792.

By the accounts presented from the preparative meetings the representatives from the South were Jeremiah Eady & Benja Allen North Joseph Austin & Jona Hart who called were all present.

It appearing clear to this meeting that inconveniencies and embarrassments may attend proposals [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] consideration for recommendation as ministers when more than one is proposed at the same time therefore after solid deliberation with much unanimity the two cases brought forward to last mo meeting are with the concurrence of the womens meeting referred back to the [illegible] meeting for their further consideration.

Children of Wm [illegible] recd The friends appointed report that they [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] namely Asa & Daniel be admitted as members which being considered by this meeting they with the concurrence of the womens are admitted accordingly.

The friends appointed report that they have had a solid opportunity with Benja Russell 2d [illegible] good degree of satisfaction and that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] his paper for satisfaction which being considered by this meeting its received accordingly and sd friends are appointed to see it [illegible] in the usual publick manner inform him thereof & report next mo meeting said paper is as followeth:

(Paper not recorded)

[illegible] George Sanford reports he has [illegible] [illegible] into the Treasury twelve shillings in Consequence of his [illegible].

Asa Smith
And [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Asa Smith and [illegible] [illegible] appeard in this meeting & Declard their Intentions of taking each other in marriage also produced Consent of parents whereupon we appoint Joseph Austin & Thomas Hazzard Jn to Inspect Asa's Clearness respecting [illegible].

[illegible] meeting Adjourns by the request of the Quarterly meetings Committee to Second day the first day of the 10 mo at the usual hour.

10 mo ye 1st Met by Adjournment. the Representatives all present.

the Queries were read with the [illegible] Compiled therefrom for the mo meeting an account thereof with them is directed forward to Quarter meeting by our Representatives [illegible] mo meeting.

[illegible] report that they have had another opportunity with him to Some Satisfaction and think it Safe to receive his paper for Satisfaction [illegible] Considered it is received accordingly for Satisfaction and Joseph Estes is [illegible] mo meeting.

one of the Committee in Nicholas Smith's case report that they have attend thereto tho nothing being received from him, and as he is in the Small pox the case [illegible] under the Same [illegible] care.

The friend appointed produced a Testimony [illegible] which [illegible] and said Testimony was [illegible] approved & signd by the clerk and Wm Anthony is appointed to read the Same in the usual publick manner at [illegible] and report next mo meet. Which Testimony is as followeth.

Whereas John Russell Son of Jacob Deceasd having a birthright in our Society but by not adhering to the pure principals of Light and truth in his own hart or mind hath departed from the purity of our profession by partaking [illegible] and [illegible] from the [illegible] in dress and address, Likewise Contracting [illegible] contrary to our wholsom order for all which he has been laboured with in the Spirit of meekness and Brotherly love but without the desired effect wherefore for the Clearing of truth & to testify our disapprobation of Such Conduct we disown him from any longer having a right in our Society untill he may be favoured to experience a Reformation of hart & return in the way of truth to the Satisfaction of friends which is our unfeigned Desire.

Given forth by our [illegible] meeting of friends held in Dartmouth [illegible] [illegible] 1792.

Signed in & by direction of said meeting

by [illegible] Clerk

[illegible] Monthly Meeting [illegible]

15th of 10 mo 1792

The representatives [illegible] [illegible] being called are all present.

The committee in case of Benjn R[illegible] [illegible] to appointment.

The friends to inspect the clearness [illegible] [illegible] according to [illegible].

Asa Smith and Meribah Russell appeared in this meeting and declared the continuation of their intention of marriage and desiring our answer the necessary care [illegible] marriage according to our order and [illegible] and Wm Rotch Junr are appointed to attend their marriage to see that it be orderly solemnized & report next mo meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended [illegible]

New Bedford Mo Mtg to be created

The Committee appointed to visit Dartmouth mo meeting [illegible] considered the subject of dividing [illegible] particular meeting be set off & constitute a new mo meeting, which with the concurrence of the women's meeting is accepted and the [illegible] to our next Quarterly meeting.

[illegible] from the [illegible] Quarterly meeting held at Dartmouth the [illegible] 1792.

Wm Rotch Junr Clerk.

[illegible] are appointed to consider [illegible] also [illegible] to next mo meeting.

Joseph [illegible] not having [illegible] report next mo meeting.

[illegible] Nicholas [illegible] case not having had an opportunity [illegible] they are continued in their appointment & to report next mo meeting.

Wm Anthony Informs he has read the Testimony of John Russells Denial according to Direction.

11 mo [illegible]

At our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 19th the 11th mo 1792.

The Representatives by the accounts [illegible] from the Preparative meetings are from the South [illegible] [illegible] and George Smith North John Tucker & Thos Hazzard all present.

One of the friends appointed to attend the marriage of Asa Smith and Deborah Russell, report that it [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in an orderly manner [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] according the [illegible] gave a Satisfactory reason for his not attending.

[illegible] [illegible] reports that Jirah Smiths paper of acknowledgment has been read as Directed, & is followeth,

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth.

Whereas I have so far Disregarded the good Rules of friends as to attend a Horserace Some time ago and being now Sincible of the Evil thereof I am Sorry for so doing and do hereby Condemn the same Desiring friends would pass by my offence and Consider me under their care and desire to be more care-full in futer

Dartmouth 17th 9mo 1792. Jirah Smith

The friends appointed to consider [illegible] [illegible] propriety of setting the Monthly meeting of New Bedford and its bounds report as followeth,

Time and bounds of New Bedford [illegible]

We the Committee appointed to Consider the bounds and time of holding New Bedford monthly meeting have met and attended to the Service and propose the following as the boundary line of said meeting viz beginning at the South End Corner of the land formerly belonging to Jonathan Tucker on the west side of Clarks or Shermans cove from thence in a Straight line till it goes to the Southward of John Rowlands farm house including Said house within the bounds thence in a Straight line to the northward till it comes to the of Edmond Maxfields house Including said house to the Eastward thence Northerly to Jethrow Allens Sawmill and from thence North to the town [illegible] of Freetown. And that time of holding Said monthly meeting at New Bedford be the third day after the 3d Second day in each month at the close of a meeting for worship to begin at the 11th hour.

Dartmouth 11mo 1792. Signed on behalf of the Committee
by Wm Rotch Junr
Rhoda Tucker.

Which is accepted and the Quarterly meetings Committee being present express'd their approbation & unity with sd Report.

Nicholas [illegible]

The friends appointed in the case of Nicholas Smith report that they have visited him sundry times, & discharg'd their duty toward him but he doth not appear

11 mo 1792 fully willing to condemn the whole of his Transgressions and Continues retailing Spiritous Liquors whereupon this meeting is Constrained to deny unity with him and can no longer acknowledge him a member thereof John Howland & [illegible] Wood are appointed to inform him & prepare a Testimony of his denial & report next mo meeting.

Simon Howland report that Wm Smith has been informed of his Denial as Directed.

The Queries were read with the answers from the preparative meetings and answers formed from them for this meeting. An account was made to the Quarterly meeting which with the Answers to the Queries was forwarded thereto by our Representatives Jonathan [illegible] [illegible] & George Smith who are to report next mo meeting.

Wm Gifford reports he has received and paid to our treasurer 7/6 balance collected after paying [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

12 mo 1792. At our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 17th ye 12 mo 1792.

The Representatives named in the Accounts presented from the Preparative meetings are from the South Jonathan Wilbur & Timothy Gifford North John Howland and Elihu Mosher all present.

The friends appointed in the case of Nicholas Smith's denial report they have informed him thereof & presented a Testimony of his Denial which being read & approved was signed by the Clerk and Wm Gifford is appointed to read it in the public usual manner at Newtown & report next mo meeting.

Said Testimony is as followeth,

Nicholas Smith of Dartmouth having had a birthright of membership among us but for want of more closely adhering [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and fixed principals in attending a place of military Exercise also a marriage out of our order & a horserace as a Spectator [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] he not being Sufficiently Sincible of his Transgression to be able to Condemn them to our Satisfaction and he being also in the practice of Dealing in Spiritous Liquors Contrary to our Discipline which he inclines to continue in, we have bestowed much labour to reclaim him [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of which we are [illegible] to deny [illegible] the said Nicholas Smith and can no longer own him as a member amongst us [illegible] that he may [illegible] of his outgoings & return to the way of truth.

Given forth at our mo meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 17th the 12 mo 1792. and Signed on behalf of sd meeting

by Caleb Green Clerk.

Amy Slocum [illegible]

This meeting Concurs with the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

12 mo 1792.

of Peleg Slocum 2nd.

A Request was received through the [illegible] meeting [illegible] a meeting for worship in [illegible] a Committee from this meeting after solid Consideration they are allowed to hold meetings for Worship on first & fifth days Except the fifth days [illegible] untill our mo meeting in the forth mo unless found necessary to be Discontinued by our Committee at the following Places (viz) one [illegible] Elijah Gifford [illegible] Thos Hicks Peleg Slocum & Luthan Wood they to report when their [illegible].

Peleg Slocum [illegible]

[illegible] Peleg Slocum Howland should be received as a Member of our Society which [illegible] meeting & who were well Satisfied therein he is therefore received accordingly.

Luthan Wood [illegible] on this meetings acco. of the Committee appointed to receive Subscriptions £2"7"1½.

[illegible]

(extracts not recorded)

Geo B Almy and Elizabeth [illegible]

[illegible] of taking Each other in marriage having produced Consent of parents and Joseph Tucker and Zephaniah Eddy are appointed [illegible] and report [illegible] meeting.

New Bedford Monthly Meeting

12mo 18 1892 1792?

As the Monthly meeting of New Bedford [illegible] appoint Wm Gifford [illegible] Joshua Potter Joseph Tucker Jnos Mott & Joseph Esty [illegible] attend the Establishment of that meeting and whenever that meeting may appoint a Committee to Join them to consult together upon the Settlement of all accounts that may respect the two meetings, the Division of [illegible] property & also respecting [illegible] belonging to this meeting and report to this meeting when accomplished.

[illegible] concur with the womens meeting in accepting the acknowledgment of Susanah Tripp for marrying out of the order of friends.

Extract from the minutes of the Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 21st of 1st mo 1793.

The Committee appointed to join with a Committee from NewBedford mo meeting to make an Equitable settle- [illegible] meeting for Consideration.

Extract from the minutes of the Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 18th 2nd Mo 1793.

[illegible] tion and after being Considered we Concluded again to Defer the matter to next mo meeting.

Extract from the minutes of the Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 18th of 3rd Mo 1793.

The matter respecting the Division between this and Bedford mo meeting Coming again before this meeting it is Concluded that this meeting Accept the report it is accepted accordingly, and is as followeth.

We the Committee of Dartmouth & NewBedford mo meetings appointed for the purpose of Settling & adjusting all accounts against & between sd meetings & Dividing the said meetings poor, agree that NewBedford mo meeting take and maintain Mary Wing as their proportion of that meetings poor [illegible] meeting house in Aponeganset also pay all the meeting's debts and to be Intitled to all debts due to sd mo meeting together with all the money in the Treasury and all the books belonging to sd mo meeting Except [illegible] Barclay's [illegible] meeting house at Bedford

Dartmouth 1mo 19th 1793.

Seth Russell
Wm Anthony
Joseph Tucker
John Howland
Thos Mott
Joshua [illegible]
Joseph Eastes
Abraham Smith
Wm Gifford
[illegible]

[illegible]
at 4.30 P.M.

We are however more immediately interested in the establishment of a society in New Bedford, and consequently will turn to the first minute which bears upon this subject. Dartmouth Mo Mg 12 mo 1771

"The Friends in Bedford request their meeting [illegible]" See minute

In the 4 mo 1772, we are favored with the foll information

"The com appointed &c" (See minute)

That the advice of the Mo Mg was taken as suggested in the committee report, we have the foll request, which was read in the 11 mo [illegible]

Vol I p [illegible] See minute

From this time on meetings appear to have been held at a private house, but the subject of a meeting house was soon agitated again Vol I p [illegible] See minute

In 2 mo 1784 the foll minute appears p [illegible]

In 12 mo 1784 a [illegible]

thereafter p 296

Also in 5 mo 1785 the foll p 313

[illegible] p [illegible]

5 mo 1785 p [illegible]

A meeting house having been built and the divided [illegible] had been taken towards the establishment of a Mo Meeting

and the [illegible]

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To the Park Commissioners of the City of New Bedford.

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as the records again inform us, and we are referred to a report of a com appt to [illegible]
2 m [illegible] [illegible]

In the 12/14 1792 ~~11 mo 1792~~ a com of ~~Dartmouth~~ Sandwich 2 m Mo M
report as follows B x 54 See record

12 mo 17 - 1792 See record 456
457

The first minute recorded upon the ancient record book of Dartmouth Mo Mtg is the subscription list which was drawn up at the house of John Lapham on the 6th of 11 mo 1698 O.S. This was the starting point which led to the building of the meeting house at Apponegansett, which was completed and occupied before the close of the year 1699. 1

In connection with this circumstance, we may with propriety introduce an epistle prepared and forwarded by Friends of Dartmouth to William Ellis, one of the ancient gospel laborers in the early history of our Society, who was at that time travelling in America on religious service.

Here follows

We are not informed as to the precise date when Friends of Dartmouth were gathered into a Mo Meeting capacity, but the building of the house at Apponegansett and the organization of the Mo Meeting were doubtless events which were not widely separated.

Previous to the creation of the Mo Meeting, there was a Mo Meeting extending its bounds over this section of the Colony, ~~undoubtedly~~ probably ~~[illegible]~~ from Newport and Portsmouth in their extent at least as far as the [illegible]

~~And with the~~

From the first date mentioned until 3/24 1703 inclusive, the meeting was held at the house of Peleg Slocum and after that date at the Mtg house.

A meeting for worship is mentioned at Acoaxet as early as 1699 — Representatives are mentioned as coming from [illegible] as early as 4 mo 1702, Religious Mtgs were held at a private residence in [illegible] in 1709, at Allens Neck in 1738, at Newtown 1780, at Smiths Neck in 1768, at Bedford village in 1772

A meeting house was built on the West side of Acoaxet river in 1716, at Acushnet in 1729 and one at Newtown in 1758

A preparative meeting was established at Apponegansett in 18[illegible] and 1706 and at [illegible] in [illegible]

From the latter part of 1708 until about the middle of (2)
1740 the Mo Meeting [illegible] alternately, [illegible] from these two Mtgs.
~~The following a few [illegible]~~ after the ~~years~~ [illegible] Rochester Prep. Mtg was formed [illegible] Dartmouth.
A prep. Meeting was established at Acoaxet in the latter part of 174[illegible], and kept up by the Mo Meeting from and after 5 mo 1766 1 mo 1746 until, it appears from both Appoquansett and Acoaxet.
In [illegible] latter years Acoaxet Friends were set off as a separate Mo Meeting.

Dartmouth Friends were now left with one prep. Mtg again, and it is remarkable that they should have continued so for the next 18 years, ~~having~~ the Dartmouth County had been much restricted in territory and their membership greatly reduced by a ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] change both west and east. About 1762, they [illegible] to [illegible] the Meeting all their [illegible] at the [illegible] of the Acushnet [illegible] - [illegible] the [illegible] meeting of [illegible] Acushnet and Rochester, and this movement ~~was~~ was followed closely by the [illegible] of the [illegible] as heretofore as above mentioned.

[illegible] it is fair to presume that the mtg continued [illegible]. In the early part of 178[illegible] 2 separate Mtgs were made out [illegible] these [illegible], which were designated as the West and South, the former including Smith Mills and New Bedford, the latter Appoquansett, Smith Neck and Allens Neck. ~~[illegible]~~ the houses for worship had [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of these [illegible]

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11 m° 6 1698-99 Subscription [illegible] ✓

M.° Meetings were held at [illegible] from 4/26 1699 until 3/24 1703 inclusive

Meeting for worship mentioned at Accomack at houses of members in 1699

Meeting house first mentioned in 1705

Mtg [illegible] [illegible] Accomack [illegible] in [illegible]

Prep Mtg there latter part of 1745

Representatives to Mo Mtg first in 1 [illegible] mo 1746

Accomack [illegible] 1760.

Representatives app'd last in 5 mo [illegible]

Appoquinimink Prep Mtg 1st m. [illegible]

4 mo 1702 Reps are mentioned from Lepsicum

Rochester Prep Mtg set up in 4 mo 1707

From the latter part 1708 until the Middle of 1740 reps attended from Appoquinimink and Rochester Prep Mtgs

From 1 mo 1746 to 5 mo 1760 reps from Appoquinimink and Accomack

Early part of 1754 2 prep. meetings (2
made North and [illegible]

12 mo 1762 Sandwich Mo. Mtg.
requested a list of Friends at East side
of Acushnet Riv.

Acushnet meetings as early as
1709 House built in 172

Allen's Neck
Meetings at private house as early as
of 1759

Smith Neck
at private house until 1768

Newtown called for 1745 - House built

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Mtg held at
private house
earlier p. 2.5

Bedford
meeting house asked
for in 12 mo 1771

Read
com report p 86
4 mo 1772

Read minute
p 47

Meetings held
in private house
from 11 mo 1772

See report com
p 277 296

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as earlier pt

New Bedford no mtg (Y
45 etc

Lathe pair 6 - 5 X
[illegible] Prop in
established

Long Plain and [illegible]
Prop in [illegible] - cath
par 1.25

1795 12th mo Thos Hazzard Jr
appt'd Treasurer

1796 6mo Stephen Smith Jr
appt'd Recorder

1797 8 mo Wm Robt Jr appt'd Elder

1798 10 mo Rachel Dean appt'd Elder

do do Lydia Rotch recommended
a minister

1802 3 mo Cornelius Hadsell
do do Elizabeth Rivers | Elders

1802 12 mo Rachel Dean rec-
ommended a minister

1803 4 mo Caleb Green appt'd recorder

1803 1 mo Job H Dean recom
a minr

1805 4 mo Stephen Hathaway recorder

1807 10 mo G Shearman Jr recorder

1809 6mo Mary Harland
Rhoda Harlan | Elders

1809 1 mo Job Otis recorder

1812 8 mo Job Otis Treasurer

1813 7mo Jo. Richardson
app a preacher

1816 3mo Ephraim Sherman
recommended a minister

1816 7mo Jos Davis preacher

1816 11mo Russell Davis
approved a minister

1818 3mo Mary Card recommended

1818 8mo Thos G Moore preacher

1818 11mo Mary Robert Elder

1820 11mo Ed C Taber appd

preach

1822 4mo Thomas Taber me

Elder

1822 11mo Deb Hig

" " Bowen Harden ministers

1825 3mo A Sherman Elder

1827 3mo Elizabeth Robe

Elder

" Sarah Davis minister

1828 9mo Deborah [illegible]

Elder

1830 9mo Mary Howland
elder
1831 (6mo) W C Taber Treasurer

1832 5mo Geo W Baker Recorder
1833 3mo Jos Davis
minister
1835 6mo Mary Taber Elder
1835 11mo [illegible] Davis
minister
1837 11mo Barnabas Taber
Elder
1844 2mo C R Tucker
recorder
1848 3mo [illegible] Howland
[illegible]
1848 3mo J Howland
1848 6mo G Howland [illegible] Elder
1848 11mo R E Howland minister
(1849 Lydia Cooper Elder
1 mo [illegible] Treasurer
1849 [illegible] mo John Howland do
1849 3mo E [illegible] minister
1849 11mo Wm R Taber do

3 mo 1852
W P Howland / elders
C R Tucker
Hannah Tripp

2 mo 1853 C R Tucker clerk
do do M Howland recorder
do do Betsey P Wood / elders
J H Anthony

1857 6 mo H T Tucker
minister

1857 10 mo Jos Kempton / elders
C R Tucker
Sally Wood
Eliza C Davis
Anna L Wood

1867 5 mo M Howland clerk
1867 do H T Wood Recorder
1867 3 mo M Howland / [illegible]
O K Akin

Susan T Tucker / Elders
Jane Tucker

1877 6mo E T Tucker Recorder

1878 / D S Hume Treasr
1mo /

1878 8mo W Thompson minister
1878 9mo S A Dillingham do
1879 4mo Gid Wood clerk
1880 6mo R H Smiley approved
1882 9mo G Howland Jr Elder
1883 A W Holmes Treasurer
3mo

6mo 83 E T Tucker clerk
2mo 84 J B Baylies Recorder
1885 1mo A G Tripp
S S Tripp
Apphiah Evans
Elder
1889 2/28 J B Baylies Elder
1890 11mo S T Thompson minister